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Suspect Arrested After Video Captured Young Dog's Brutal Beating

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Credit: Houston SPCA

HOUSTON (October 30, 2025) – Constables with Harris County Precinct 1 arrested Gerald Allen Young II on two counts of felony cruelty to a non-livestock animal by means of torture today after video footage showed him brutally assaulting a 9-month-old Labrador mix near the 2600 block of Gramercy Street in southwest Houston.

In the disturbing video, the suspect is seen repeatedly punching the young dog before lifting him up and violently tossing him down a hallway.



The injured puppy was rescued earlier this week and is now under the care of the Houston SPCA's veterinary team at their on-campus Animal Hospital. The Houston SPCA veterinarians report that he is suffering from three fractured ribs and a pneumothorax. He is currently in stable condition.

"This is a heartbreaking example of senseless cruelty," said Dr. Roberta Westbrook, senior vice president of veterinary services at Houston SPCA. "There is no doubt that filing a cruelty report saved this young dog's life."



A court date has been set for next week, when a judge will determine custody of the dog. The Houston SPCA works closely with law enforcement to investigate and stop animal cruelty across the region. Anyone who witnesses suspected animal abuse or neglect is encouraged to report it immediately by calling 713-869-SPCA (7722) or visiting HoustonSPCA.org, where video or photos can be uploaded.



About the Houston SPCA

For more than 100 years, the Houston SPCA has served the community through pet adoption, cruelty investigations, a 24-hour rescue ambulance, disaster response, veterinary services, and community education. The oldest and largest animal rescue and protection organization in the Gulf Coast region has saved millions of animals over a century. It remains steadfast in seeking justice for animals and fostering a more compassionate community for all animals and the people who love them.

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