

## —NEWS RELEASE——Chicago Police Department

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## Offender Charged with Aggravated Cruelty to Animals



Offender: Darrick Bender, 19

4400 block of S. Lawler Ave.

Chicago, Illinois

Charges: One (1) felony count – RECKLESS DISCH FIREARM - ENDANGER

One (1) felony count - AGGRAVATED CRUELTY TO ANIMALS One (1) felony count - AGG UUW/LOADED-NO FCCA-FOID

One (1) misdemeanor count - POSS AMMUNITION - W/O VALID FOID

Three (3) City ordinance violations

**Court:** Detention Hearing – 2600 S. California – September 25, 2023

**Narrative:** The above offender was arrested by members of the Chicago Police Department

on September 24, 2023, at approximately 11:01 p.m. in the 5400 block of S. Archer Ave. He was identified as the offender who, minutes earlier, recklessly discharged a firearm, striking a dog, in the 5000 block of S. La Crosse Ave. (8th District). Responding officers quickly located the offender and a weapon was recovered on scene. The offender was placed into custody and charged accordingly. No

additional information is available at this time.

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