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**Mother of Bianca Devins Reacts to Judge's Decision  
DENYING Murderer's Motion to Withdraw His Guilty Plea**

*Justice For Bianca*

**Utica, NY**— Kim Devins, Mother of 17-year old Bianca Michelle Devins, has released the following statement after learning of Judge Michael L. Dwyer's decision that Bianca's murderer will not be allowed to withdraw his Guilty Plea.

"On July 14, 2019, our lives were changed forever when our angel Bianca was cruelly taken from us. We are relieved to hear that Judge Dwyer has denied her murderer's motion to withdraw his Guilty Plea.

Our family has prepared victim impact statements to be read in court as her murderer is sentenced to 25-years to life. We want everyone to know what a beautiful and talented young girl she was that he took from us. We will represent Bianca in the future to ensure her murderer is never released from prison.

Bianca's family and I will continue to honor her life through the Bianca Michelle Devins Memorial Scholarship with the Community Foundation of Herkimer/Oneida Counties. Bianca's dream and spirit will live on through students who are looking for careers in psychology to help adolescents with mental health issues.

Our family will continue our fight for accountability of social media companies to prevent the posting of content such as Bianca's death photos. We are in full support of Bianca's Law being put before Congress by Congressman Anthony Brindisi. This will be another large step in holding social media companies responsible for the content they allow on their platforms.

We are so very grateful to the community of Central New York for their love and support. A special Thank you to all of Bianca's friends, worldwide – 'Bee's Army'. You have helped us through this terrible journey through the love you have given us." - Kim Devins, Bianca's mother.

Donations to the **Bianca Michelle Devins Memorial Scholarship** can be made at: <https://foundationhoc.org/our-funds/bianca-michelle-devins-scholarship-fund/>

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