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**Newhall Father Pleads to Murder of Newborn Daughter**

A Newhall man entered a no contest plea today to a charge of killing his 19-day-old daughter, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Julie Kramer said Matthew Brendan Warner, 30, pleaded to one count of first-degree murder in case PA082876.

Warner will receive a 50-years-to-life state prison sentence at a hearing scheduled for Oct. 6 in Department S of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, San Fernando Branch.

On Jan. 23, the defendant beat the baby, Ellorah Rose Warner, to death at their Newhall home while the victim's mother was working, the prosecutor said. Matthew Warner then hid Ellorah's body and claimed she had been kidnapped, the prosecutor added.

Warner eventually led authorities to the victim's body which was wrapped in towels, inside bags in the cab of a truck parked in a nearby parking lot.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](#) prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.