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## Nevada Parents Face Murder Charges After Infant's Death Linked to Starvation and Neglect

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Authorities in Nevada have arrested a couple after an autopsy revealed their 3-month-old son died from severe malnutrition, starvation, and dehydration.

According to the Sparks Police Department, 22-year-old Giovonnye Hart and 23-year-old Hailey Moniz are facing charges of first-degree murder during the perpetration or attempted perpetration of abuse of a child under 14 years of age, along with child neglect. Their arrests

followed the release of autopsy findings from the Washoe County Medical Examiner's Office.

Police reported that on April 5, Hart and Moniz brought their infant to the emergency room at St. Mary's Medical Center in Reno. The baby was unresponsive, showing only a faint heartbeat. Despite efforts by medical personnel to resuscitate him, the child was pronounced dead.

Investigators noted the infant's condition raised immediate concerns. Authorities said the child appeared severely malnourished, dehydrated, and unkempt, leading them to suspect prolonged neglect.

Following the hospital incident, detectives obtained and executed a search warrant for the couple's home. Inside, police said they found the residence in a state of extreme disarray. The home was reportedly filled with garbage, decaying food, mold, and human or animal feces. Investigators also determined there was no running water on the property.

In addition to the deceased infant, Hart and Moniz have two other children. Officials confirmed both children have since been placed in the custody of Washoe County Child Protective Services (CPS) for their safety.

Hart and Moniz remain held in the Washoe County Jail as they await legal proceedings. The investigation into the circumstances surrounding the baby's death is ongoing.