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MAN CHARGED WITH AGGRAVATED CRUELTY TO ANIMALS AFTER CAUSING BLUNT FORCE INJURIES TO CAT:  
  
On Thursday, January 25th, 2024, members of the Syracuse Police Animal Cruelty unit arrested 24-year-old Frank Paglia. Paglia is accused of causing numerous blunt force injuries to a cat named 'Milo' on Tuesday, December 26th, 2023.  
  
It's alleged that Paglia tried to get a dog to attack Milo, but he was scratched by the cat. Paglia retaliated by stepping on and punching Milo, as well as hitting him with objects. Milo had to be euthanized due to the extent of his injuries.  
  
A necropsy conducted at Cornell University revealed that Milo suffered a right eye orbital fracture, with displacement of the eye, a skull fracture, as well as an open rib fracture which led to breathing difficulty.  
  
Paglia has been charged with one count of Aggravated Cruelty to Animals, a felony. He was released on an appearance ticket and will reappear in Syracuse City Court at a later date.