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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: New This Morning; Arrest in Student's Murder]

SOPHIE FLAY: An arrest in the murder of a college student in Chicago. The suspect allegedly in the U.S. illegally. What we're learning about his past.

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Coming Up]

FLAY: And next, an arrest in the murder of a college student in Chicago. The suspect was allegedly in the country illegally.

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Arrest in Killing of Loyola University Student]

FLAY: We're back with an arrest in the shocking murder of a college student in Chicago. Federal officials say the suspect entered the U.S. illegally. Here's ABC's Alison Kosik.

ALISON KOSIK: Overnight, authorities announcing an arrest in the murder of Loyola university student Sheridan Gorman. Homeland Security officials say the alleged shooter is 25-year-old Jose Medina, who they say illegally entered the U.S. from Venezuela. They say he was released after being apprehended by Border Patrol back in 2023, and was released again after a shoplifting arrest in Chicago.

LESLIE ZAMARRIPA: She was really sweet. It just makes me really sad because with everything that's going on, it does make you wonder, like, how safe can you be at night?

KOSIK: 18-year-old Gorman, from Westchester County, New York, was months away from finishing her first year of college. Police say around 1 a.m. last Thursday, she was walking with friends near a beach less than a mile from campus. Her family says she was trying to catch a glimpse of the Northern Lights. Authorities say that's when a man approached the group, took out a gun, and opened fire. Gorman was shot in the head. Police say she was not the intended target. Her family saying, "we will not allow this to be dismissed as 'wrong place, wrong time.'"

This was not random misfortune. This was a violent and preventable act,” adding, “we are gravely disappointed by the policies and failures that allowed this individual to remain in a position to commit this crime.” After a vigil on campus, students are demanding more safety measures.

ZAMARRIPA: We should not be worried about walking to the beach and not expect to just get killed like that.

KOSNIK: Jose Medina is expected in court later today. He has not yet entered a plea, Hannah, Sophie.

HANNAH BATTAH: Allison, thank you.