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PRESS RELEASE

CHARGED: GARRY N. BUNTING
905 WYANDOTTE STREET
BETHLEHEM, PA 18015
DOB: SEPTEMBER 22, 1991

In January of 2022, Garry N. Bunting was charged in a separate investigation with Human Trafficking of a Minor, Sexual Assault and related offenses, where it is alleged he communicated with a sixteen-year-old child via the social media application Snapchat and transported her from Pennsylvania to New Jersey, where it is alleged he engaged the victim in multiple sexual acts. In connection with that investigation, law enforcement seized several electronic devices. In searching a cellular device connected to a witness, law enforcement discovered various communications between the defendant and witness wherein the defendant discussed his wishes to engage two minor children, ages eleven and fifteen, in sexual activity. Specifically, the defendant asked to commit acts of sexual contact with the eleven-year-old child and stated he would like to teach the fifteen-year-old child how to perform certain sexual acts. The eleven-year-old victim reported to law enforcement that on occasion, she was exposed to sexual activity between the witness and defendant.

On April 17, 2023, the defendant was charged with the following:

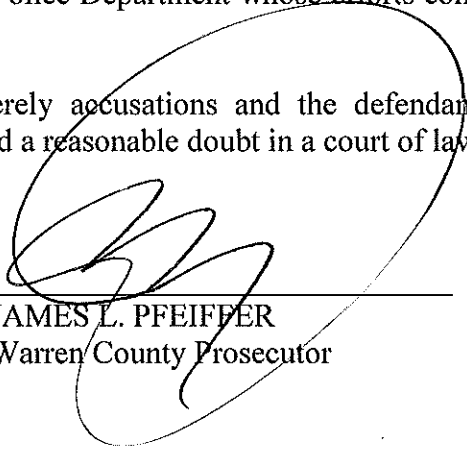
- 1) Attempted Sexual Assault, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:5-1a(3) & 2C:14-2b, a second degree offense. This offense carries a maximum of ten (10) years in the New Jersey State Prison, with a minimum of five (5) years. This offense is subject to the No Early Release Act.
- 2) Attempted Endangering the Welfare of a Child, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:5-1a(3) & 2C:24-4a(1), a third degree offense. This offense carries a maximum of five (5) years in the New Jersey State Prison, with a minimum of three (3) years.
- 3) Attempted Endangering the Welfare of a Child, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:5-1a(3) & 2C:24-4a(1), a third degree offense. This offense carries a maximum of five (5) years in the New Jersey State Prison, with a minimum of three (3) years.
- 4) Endangering the Welfare of a Child, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4a(1), a third degree offense. This offense carries a maximum of five (5) years in the New Jersey State Prison, with a minimum of three (3) years.

The Defendant is presently lodged at Warren County Jail pending his First Appearance in Warren County Superior Court.

Prosecutor James L. Pfeiffer would like to thank the Warren County Prosecutor's Office Special Victim's Unit and the Greenwich Township Police Department whose efforts contributed to this successful investigation and apprehension.

Please be advised that the charges are merely accusations and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

Approved by:



JAMES L. PFEIFFER
Warren County Prosecutor

Date: April 17, 2023