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In late July of 2022, law enforcement discovered that the above-named defendant had engaged in sexually explicit conversations online with an individual who he believed to be 15 years old. In addition to the sexually themed discussions, the defendant then made plans to meet the child in the area of Union Square in Phillipsburg. The defendant carried out his intentions by driving to the location to meet the minor. However, when the accused arrived, he was greeted by an adult who in turn, contacted the police. From there, the defendant was charged with the following criminal offenses:

1. Second Degree Attempt to Lure a Child, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:5-1a(1) and N.J.S.A. 2C:13-6a,
2. Third Degree Attempt to Endanger the Welfare of a Child, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:5-1a(1) and N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4a(1) and
3. Second Degree Attempt to Sexual Assault of a Child, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:5-1a(1) and N.J.S.A. 2C:14-2c(4).

The second degree charges carry with them a maximum penalty of ten years in New Jersey State Prison and the third degree charge carries a maximum penalty of five years in New Jersey State Prison. In addition, if convicted, the perpetrator will be obligated to register as a Sex Offender under Megan's Law.

Please note, all defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proved guilty.

Approved by:



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