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PRESS RELEASE

Charged: Ronald McKenzie

72 Quaback Ave. Irvington, N.J. 7/22/1998

On 9/1/2022, Ronald McKenzie was charged by the Mansfield Township Police for his role in two shoplifting incidents from the Home Depot in July of 2022. As a result of the thefts, the store suffered a loss of approximately \$6,200.

McKenzie entered the store on at least two occasions and stole spools of electrical wiring. He was identified through a joint investigation with other law enforcement agencies. When confronted, McKenzie admitted that he had been paid \$500 by an unidentified male to commit the thefts. Shoplifting offenses committed in furtherance of an organized retail theft enterprise exceeding \$1,000 are of the second degree.

McKenzie was charged with the following offenses and is currently lodged in Morris County Jail pending transfer to Warren County Jail:

Shoplifting, second degree, N.J.S.A. 2C:20-11 Count I: Conspiracy, second degree, N.J.S.A. 2C:5-2 Count II:

Second degree crimes carry a maximum potential sentence of ten (10) years in New Jersey State Prison.

The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until they are proven guilty.

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Dated: September 12, 2022