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(CPD # 21-3457-AR)

CONCORD, NH – On February 4, 2021, Concord Police detectives arrested an adult male following a two month investigation. Arrested was:

**Joshua Harwood, age 36
Manchester, NH**

Harwood is charged with:

**Two counts of Manufacture Child Sexual Abuse Images, both Class A Felonies
Prostitution involving a child under the age of 18, a Class B Felony
Endangering Welfare of Child, a Class A Misdemeanor
Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Images, a Felony
Two counts of Prostitution; Solicitation to Commit Sexual Contact, both Class A
Misdemeanors**

In December of 2020, the Concord Police were notified about inappropriate online activity, and past physical activity, allegedly conducted by Mr. Harwood. Subsequently, Concord Police detectives, with the assistance of the Manchester Police Department and the NH ICAC Task Force, conducted an extensive investigation into the allegations.

Based on the investigation, it is alleged that Mr. Harwood engaged in sexually explicit online activity with a person under the age of 18, during which Mr. Harwood sought and received Child Sexual Abuse videos and/or images in exchange for money. In addition, it is alleged that on one occasion, Mr. Harwood engaged in physical sexual activity with a person under the age of 18 in exchange for money. It is further alleged that Mr. Harwood twice solicited sexual activity from a person over the age of 18 in exchange for money. The investigation indicated that Harwood was a Concord High School teacher at time the alleged offenses of Solicitation to Commit Sexual Contact occurred.

Mr. Harwood refused bail. He is being held at the Merrimack County House of Correction. He will be arraigned at Merrimack County Superior Court on February 5, 2021.

“Community Committed”

The Concord Police Department is continuing with the investigation and asking anyone with information pertaining to Mr. Harwood to please contact them at 603-225-8600. Tips can also be submitted anonymously through the Concord Regional Crimeline at 603-226-3100 or online at www.concordregionalcrimeline.com.

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