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PRESS RELEASE – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

POLICE SEEK PUBLIC'S HELP IDENTIFYING ARMED BURGLAR

The Roseville Police Department is seeking the public's help identifying a man who burglarized a duplex located on the 2400 block of Woodbridge Street earlier today.

According to police reports, the home owner received an alert on her smart phone of an intruder via her home's security system at 10:18 a.m. today while she was out. The homeowner was able to show police still and digital imaging of the suspect as he moved about her home.

What police found shocking was the fact the suspect was armed with a handgun as he prowled the home stealing items he placed in his backpack.

The police department is currently working with the homeowner in obtaining the digital imaging off her home's security system. Once the department has this imaging, it will be passed onto the Media.

Attached is a still image of the burglary suspect. The suspect is described as a black male, goatee and mustache, wearing a Nike brand t-shirt, dark colored pants, back pack and wearing a reflective safety vest. The suspect has a thin/muscular build and appears to be in his mid-twenties.

Should you recognize and/or know the whereabouts of the burglary suspect do not approach but call law enforcement authorities by dialing "911."

If you have information on this person, you are asked to contact Minnesota Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 or text-a-tip – Text "Tips674 plus your tip" to 274637 (CRIMES). You may report your information confidentially and anonymously.

If your information does result in an arrest, you may be eligible for a reward.

UPDATE!

On Wednesday, June 7, 2017, the Ramsey County Attorney's Office charged 25-year old Jason Timothy McGowan of Fridley with the following felony offenses:

- Burglary-1st Degree Possession of a Dangerous Weapon
- Burglary-2nd Degree-Dwelling

McGowan's criminal charges stem from his Friday morning June 2, 2017 burglary of a Roseville home located on the 2400 block of Woodbridge Street.

What ultimately led to McGowan's swift arrest and criminal charges was the home owner's Canary home security system. The Canary security system captured digital imaging of McGowan as he prowled the victim's home stealing various electronic items.

Once the digital images of the unknown suspect were shared with local media on the same day, within hours, police received an anonymous tip identifying the burglar.

When a police detective spoke with the suspect's mother, she said she had seen the burglary news story and acknowledged she recognized the burglar as her son – Timothy McGowan.

McGowan formally surrendered to the case's lead detective at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, June 5, 2017 at the Ramsey County Law Enforcement Center without incident. Upon surrendering to authorities, McGowan provided the detective the replica BB pistol he carried with him when he burglarized the Roseville home.

McGowan is currently in custody awaiting his first court appearance.

If McGowan is convicted, the maximum penalties are as follows:

- Burglary-1st Degree: 20 years or \$35,000 fine or both
- Burglary-2nd Degree: 10 years or \$20,000 fine or both

McGowan's bail is currently set at \$20,000.

The department wishes to thank local print and television media for printing and publishing this news story which ultimately resulted in McGowan's arrest and criminal charges.

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