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## Thousand Oaks Man Charged with Human Trafficking, Child Luring, and Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Material

VENTURA, California – District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that Robert Ryan McGraa (DOB 06/01/81), of Thousand Oaks, has been charged with human trafficking, child luring, and possession of child sexual abuse material. It is further alleged that McGraa was previously convicted of a felony violation of unlawful sex with a minor in 2006, and human trafficking of a minor in 2017.

In the current case it is alleged that in 2014, McGraa coerced an adult female to engage in commercial sex acts in Oxnard. It is also alleged that in 2016, McGraa messaged a 14-year-old acquaintance from Simi Valley in a sexually suggestive manner. Finally, the charges allege that McGraa possessed explicit photographs of young children on at least three occasions.

The District Attorney's Office is investigating whether McGraa may have committed other sexually motivated crimes. McGraa is believed to have spent time in the cities of Thousand Oaks, Oxnard, and Simi Valley and is very active on the internet and social media platforms. Individuals who have been contacted by McGraa online or in person in a sexually suggestive manner are asked to contact District Attorney Supervising Investigator Terry Dobrosky at (805) 383-4779. Individuals who may not have been directly victimized but are aware of such conduct are also asked to contact Investigator Dobrosky. A photo of McGraa is attached to this news release.

On September 8, 2022, McGraa appeared in the Ventura County Superior Court for arraignment. He pled not guilty to all charges. At a bail hearing on September 12, 2022, Judge Nancy Ayers detained McGraa with no bail. The case is set for an early disposition conference on September 19, 2022, at 1:30 p.m. in courtroom 12.

The charges against McGraa are the result of an investigation by the District Attorney's Office, the Southern California High Tech Task Force, and the Los Angeles Regional Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.



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