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Agency ORI Number FLO 5 0 0 0 0 0		Agency Name PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE			Agency Report Number 06 -17-250116		
Charge Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. Felony <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Misdemeanor <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Ordinance Check as many: <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Traffic Felony <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Traffic Misdemeanor <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Other as apply.					Special Notes:		
Defendant's Name (Last, First, Middle) McRoberts, Scott, Trevor					Race W	Sex M	Date of Birth 08/30/1983
Charge Description Solicitation of a Minor			Charge Description Traveling to Meet a Minor				
Charge Description Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communication Device			Charge Description Resisting Without Violence				
Victim's Name (Last, First, Middle) State of Florida					Race	Sex	Date of Birth
Victim's Local Address (Street, Apt. Number) (City) (State) (Zip)				Phone		Address Source	
Victim's Business Address (Name, Street) (City) (State) (Zip)				Phone		Occupation	
The undersigned certifies and swears that he/she has just and reasonable grounds to believe, and does believe that the above named Defendant committed the following violation of law. The Person taken into custody:							
<input type="checkbox"/> committed the below acts in my presence		<input type="checkbox"/> was observed by _____ who told _____ that he/she saw the arrested person commit the below acts					
<input type="checkbox"/> confessed to _____ admitting to the below facts.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> was found to have committed the below acts, resulting from my (described) investigation.					
On the 3 rd day of October, at 11:00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A.M. <input type="checkbox"/> P.M. (Specifically include facts constituting cause for arrest).							

NARRATIVE:

I am part of a national task force known as the South Florida Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC). This task force investigates internet crimes against children, child exploitation, and related cases.

On 08/03/2017, I was online in an undercover capacity attempting to locate and identify offenders that use the internet to sexually exploit children. On 08/03/2017, the suspect posted an ad (Post ID: 6226741612) on Craig's list with the header "Looking for a young girl who likes older discreet guys" and advised that he was up for "ANYTHING." The ad indicated the suspect was a male looking for a female.

In responding to the ad I stated, "Hi what age are you looking for." The suspect replied, "I am pretty open to be honest, it is more about someone I connect with on a sexual level. I am 34 by the way." I replied, "That's cool to hear but I am 13 though." Suspect stated, "Do you have a picture that might be too young for that. I am interested and would like to see a pic if you don't mind." On the same day the suspect began communicating with me via text using phone number 206-659-7743. The suspect sent me two clothed images of himself. He stated he would like to meet me and asked for my location. I asked the suspect, "Wow, what does a guy like you want with a girl like me? LOL...I don't know anything." The suspect replied, "Maybe that's the reason, teach innocents." The suspect explained he would teach me anything physical that I needed to know. He stated regardless of what it is he would be happy to help me with it.

Over a period of several days the communications via text message continued. The suspect informed me again that he was "game to chat about anything from school to sexual questions" and that he is "open to helping me discover anything." When the UC asked the suspect if being 13 years old was too young for him, he stated, "I am interested for sure and hope you are. I hope we get to meet." Later, the suspect asked if we could meet and explore each other's sexual desires, but we would need to be "discreet" due to our age difference being frowned upon. The suspect stated, "I would love to be more than text friends. A sexual relationship would be good." The suspect stated he would like to meet the week of 10/01/2017 and "explore" each other. The suspect stated he would bring condoms.

NARRATIVE CONTINUATION

In gathering Intel, subpoena results from Craig's List indicated the suspect ad posting ID (6226741612) was created on 07/19/2017 at 4:14:40 PM and posted on 08/03/2017 at 9:25:25AM. The IP address that was utilized to post the ad on Craigslist was (66.229.145.141). The phone number associated with the Craigslist Ad is 561-843-4890. Subpoena results from Comcast indicated the subscriber of IP address (66.229.145.141) to be Scott McRoberts who resides at 141 Bryn Mawr Dr. Lake Worth, FL 33460. The phone number attached to this account is 561-843-4890 which is the same phone number attached to the Craig's List Ad. The photos McRoberts provided me while chatting matched the photo image on his Driver's license.

On 10/03/2017, Detective Debi Phillips ID #5373 and I met McRoberts at the McDonalds in West Palm Beach. McRoberts was immediately detained by the PBSO Tactical Operations Team. We introduced ourselves and read him his rights from a preprinted Miranda Rights card which he indicated he understood and signed indicating same. McRoberts agreed to speak with us. I informed him that a concerned parent made a report that her 13 year old daughter was communicating via text message with him in a sexually explicit manner over a month's time. I informed McRoberts over 600 text messages were reviewed and it was clear he was aware he was communicating with the 13 year old and planned to meet up with her to have sex.

McRoberts admitted he posted an ad looking for a female age 18-24 years of age on Craig's List and he received a response from a younger girl. He admitted he communicated with the underage female but stated he was not sure if he was in fact communicating with a male or female. McRoberts admitted to sending images of himself to the female and that he also received images from her. He stated he decided if he was communicating with an actual 13 year old female he wanted to meet her in order to stop her from doing what she was doing (meeting with him). McRoberts stated he planned to convince her not to meet older guys and then take her home with law enforcement present. McRoberts denied that he had intentions to have sex with the female.

McRoberts was placed in handcuffs which were double locked, checked for tightness and proper fit. He was then transported to the Palm Beach County Jail for booking and processing.

The following items were seized from McRobert's vehicle, a black Lenovo laptop, Apple iphone, a red and black backpack and two Trojan condoms which were inside of his red and black backpack. These items will be placed into PBSO Evidence.

Based on my investigation, the suspect did seduce, solicit, lure or entice, or attempt to seduce, solicit, lure, or entice, a child or another person believed by the suspect to be a 13 year old child to engage in unlawful sexual conduct violating F.S.S.847.0135(3)(a). The suspect did use his Apple iPhone smartphone, a 2 way communication device, to facilitate a felony "solicitation of a child to engage in unlawful sexual conduct" violating F.S.S. 934.215. The suspect also traveled to meet a minor who he believed to be a 13 year old child violating F.S.S. 847.0135(4)(a). The suspect also resisted PBSO TAC unit by resisting arrest without violence in violation of F.S.S. 843.02 (See supplemental PC for further details.)

Sworn and Subscribed before me:


Signature Notary Public / Clerk of Court / Officer

DETECTIVE DEBI PHILLIPS #5373
Name of Notary Public / Clerk of Court / Officer

10/03/2017
Date


Name of Officer (Please Print)

10/03/2017
Date

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Supplemental

PROBABLE CAUSE AFFIDAVIT

1. Arrest 3. Request For Warrant 1 Juvenile N
2. N.T.A. 4. Request For Capias

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Charge Resist Without Violence 843.02

Charge

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On the 3 day of October 20 17 at 1130 AM PM

On 10/3/2017 at 1130hrs I was assisting PBSO SIU Detective [redacted] during a surveillance/investigation for Scott McRoberts who was travelling to meet a minor, soliciting a minor, and unlawful use of a two-way communication device. At 1130hrs Agents from the PBSO Tactical Unit observed Scott McRoberts enter the parking lot of the McDonald's located at 1775 N Military Trail, West Palm Beach FL 33409. McRoberts was driving a 2014 white Lexus bearing FL tag Z13BUH. Once inside the parking lot McRoberts parked his vehicle on the west side of the McDonald's.

Once the vehicle came to a complete stop within the parking spot Tactical Agents converged on his vehicle. As I approached the vehicle Agent Schumm was giving McRoberts verbal commands to keep his hands in the air. I escorted McRoberts to the ground for handcuffing. As I got McRoberts into a prone position McRoberts pulled his right arm underneath his body in an attempt to obstruct me from handcuffing him. At this time I applied a wrist lock to gain compliance. While applying the wrist lock McRoberts sustained a scrape on this forehead from the asphalt surface.

I handcuffed McRoberts which were double locked and checked for proper fit. McRoberts refused medical attention. Due to McRoberts actions probable cause exists to arrest Scott McRoberts for Resisting Arrest without violence FSS 843.02.

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The foregoing instrument was sworn to and affirmed before me this 3 day of October 20 17, by: S. VENTO 12457
Name of Arresting/Investigating Officer
Signature of Arresting/Investigating Officer
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