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CONVICTED BURGLAR CAUGHT HIDING OUT IN HOMESTEAD

PITTSBURGH, PA – Sheriff William P. Mullen announces the apprehension of Craig McGrath, 30 years of age from the Carrick neighborhood of the City of Pittsburgh. Since May 11th, McGrath has been wanted on a warrant for the Violation of Probation/Parole regarding a 2012 burglary conviction. The Sheriff's Office added him to the Top 20 "Most Wanted" Fugitives on Tuesday, June 20th.

In regards to the 2012 burglary, which McGrath was found guilty, he had been observed burglarizing a home in the 200 block of Spencer Avenue in Carrick. A bystander observed a man wearing a mask taking a flat screen television out the back entrance of the home. When McGrath saw the bystander, he became startled and ran back into the house. After believing the eyewitness had left, he ran from the home with the television in tow. Upon locating and identifying McGrath at his permanent residence around the block from the victim's home, officers recovered two flat screen televisions which were the victim's property, as well as, the hooded sweatshirt identified by the eyewitness as the suspect's. As part of McGrath's sentencing from this case, he was placed on probation and parole.

Early this morning, sheriff's deputies received an anonymous tip that McGrath was lodging at a residence in the 900 block of West Street in Homestead Borough. After announcing themselves numerous times at this residence, deputies were met by a tenant of the home. Once contact was made, deputies began to search the residence for McGrath, unable to locate the actor on the first two floors. After a brief search of the basement, deputies could view the silhouette of a person hiding between the furnace and the wall of the home. Deputies instructed the individual, who was later found to be McGrath, to surrender himself, which he did without incident. Upon apprehension, McGrath was transported to the Allegheny County Jail, where he is being lodged on the outstanding warrant.

Since 2007, McGrath has been involved in a number of crimes including, but not limited to Aggravated Assault, Prohibited Acts and Theft By Unlawful Taking.

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