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### **Mercer County Prosecutor's Internet Crimes Against Children Unit Arrests Hamilton Township Man**

Mercer County Prosecutor Angelo J. Onofri reported today that an investigation into online child exploitation has resulted in the arrest of a Hamilton Township man.

Michael Magliozzo, 41, is charged with third-degree possession of child pornography and second-degree endangering the welfare of a child. The prosecutor's office has filed a motion to detain Magliozzo pending trial.

Detectives with the prosecutor's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit recently received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that an individual in Mercer County was uploading child pornography. An investigation was initiated and Magliozzo was identified as a subject. On Friday, February 25, 2022, detectives with ICAC and the prosecutor's Special Victims Unit executed a search warrant at Magliozzo's residence in Hamilton. He was detained without incident and several electronics were seized. A forensic preview of the devices revealed more than 100 images of child pornography and additional images of a clothed young girl Magliozzo knew where the focus of the photos was the girl's intimate areas. Detectives also located a backpack in the basement of the residence that contained two pairs of little girl's underwear and women's undergarments.

Second-degree crimes carry a sentence of five to 10 years in state prison and a fine of up to \$150,000. Third-degree crimes carry a sentence of three to five years in state prison and a fine of up to \$15,000.

Prosecutor Onofri urged anyone with information about suspected improper contact by unknown persons communicating with children via the internet or possible exploitation or sexual abuse of children to please contact his Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Unit at 609-989-6568 or the New Jersey Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force tip line at 888-648-6007.

Despite having been charged, every defendant is presumed innocent until found guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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**Michael Magliozzo**