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Arrest for Attempted Aggravated Arson

Niles, IL. On 06/26/2016 at approximately 2:55 a.m. Niles Police Officers responded to a residence in the 6500 block of Ebinger Drive. The Victim, a 39 yoa Female from Niles reported that her boyfriend, the Offender, was intoxicated and upset for an unknown reason. The Victim related that during the Offender's outburst he picked up a can of gasoline and began pouring gasoline on the back porch saying he would burn the house down. The Offender was holding the gas can in her direction, saying he would light both of them on fire. The Victim became worried and called 911. The Offender left the home in an unknown direction.

Upon the Officers arrival they were unable to locate the offender in the immediate area. Officers could smell an obvious odor of gasoline on the rear porch. A gas canister was located and inventoried. The Victim and her two children left the residence for the night.

At 4:45 a.m. the Victim called the Niles Police, reporting that the Offender had called her, stating he was at the residence, to collect some belongings. Niles Police Officers returned to the residence and took the Offender into custody without incident.

Cook County States Attorney's Office was contacted regarding the incident. Cook County Assistant States Attorney Weber responded to the Niles Police Station to conduct their investigation. In addition the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services was notified and they stated they would also be conducting an investigation (DCFS Case# 13233128).

On 6/27/2016 at 11:04 a.m. the Cook County States Attorney's Office approved one count of Felony Attempted Aggravated Arson, a class 1 Felony, against the Offender. The Offender was booked, processed and held for a bond hearing on 6/28/2016.

The Offender:

MOORE, Harvey E., a Male, 43 yoa,

6500 block of Ebinger Drive, Niles, Illinois

Initial Court Date: July 20, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. in room 105, 5600 Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL

A class 1 felony is punishable by four to 15 years in prison. An extended term class 1 felony is punishable by 15 to 30 years.

The public is reminded that an arrest contains only charges and is not evidence of guilt. The defendant is presumed innocent and until he is found guilty in a court of law.

