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TEACHER ARRESTED FOR SEXUAL ASSAULTING CHILD

Pasadena, CA – On March 1, 2023, at 1:55 P.M., officers from the Pasadena Police Department responded to McKinley School on the 300 block of South Oak Knoll Avenue regarding a “Suspicious Circumstances” call involving a teacher and student.

During their preliminary investigation, officers discovered that a history teacher from the school had been sexually victimizing a 14-year-old student. The teacher was immediately detained on campus.

Detectives from the Pasadena Police Department’s Special Victim’s Unit (SVU) responded to McKinley School to commence immediate follow-up investigation. Over the next several hours, SVU detectives worked diligently conducting interviews, examining digital evidence, and executing a search warrant at two locations. During the investigation, detectives obtained evidence related to the molestation of the 14-year-old student and possession of child pornography.

The suspect was identified as 34-year-old **Michael Medina**, a Glendale resident. He was arrested and booked at the Pasadena Police Department’s Jail. The suspect was booked for Penal Codes 288(a), 288(a)(2), 288(c)(1), 287(b)(2) and 311.11(a). The suspect has since bonded out.

Anyone with information about this case is encouraged to call the Pasadena Police at (626)-744-4241 or report information anonymously by contacting "Crime Stoppers" at (800) 222-TIPS (8477), via your smartphone by downloading the “P3 Tips” Mobile APP on Google play or the Apple App Store, or by using the website <http://lacrimestoppers.org>.

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