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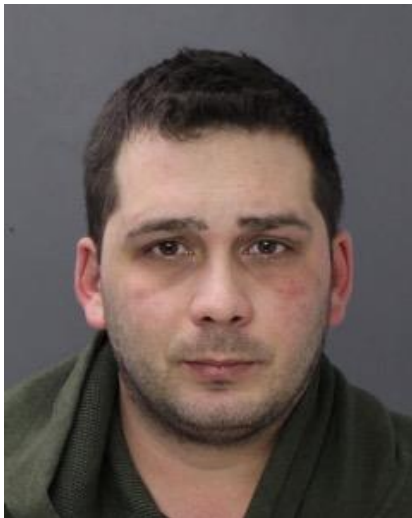
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### **HUNTINGDON VALLEY MAN CHARGED WITH MORE THAN 100 FELONY COUNTS RELATED TO INTERNET CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**



NORRISTOWN, Pa.--Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele, Abington Police Chief William J. Kelly and Lower Moreland Police Chief Peter C. Hasson announce the arrest of Robert J. Giuffrida, 38, of Huntingdon Valley for more than 100 felony counts involving Internet child pornography.

Abington Township Detective Rick Beaghley, who also is a Special County Detective for the purpose of investigating Internet crimes against children, was conducting an online Internet investigation between May and December 2015 to identify those possessing and sharing child pornography. During this investigation, Det. Beaghley made a direct connection to a host computer and was able to download six movie files of child pornography. The IP address used to download the files was subscribed to by Giuffrida.

Detective Beaghley and other members of the national Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force served a search warrant on Giuffrida's home. Numerous videos and images of child pornography were recovered from Giuffrida's computer and iPhone.

Giuffrida was charged with six felony counts of Sexual Abuse of Children (Dissemination of Photo/Film Sex Act/Child), 100 felony counts of Sexual Abuse of Children (Possession of Child Pornography) and six felony counts of Criminal use of a Communication Facility. He was arraigned before Magisterial District Judge Jay Friedenber. Bail was set at \$100,000 cash. Giuffrida is currently incarcerated at the Montgomery County Correctional Facility. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. February 2, 2016 in front of Judge Friedenber.

Special County Detectives from municipal police departments and Major Crimes Detectives of the Montgomery County Detective Bureau work together with the ICAC Task Force to investigate crimes committed by internet predators.

The case will be prosecuted by ADA Kathleen Colgan.

Approved for release:

Kevin R. Steele

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