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## NEWS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## SPARTA MAN SENTENCED TO 8 YEARS PRISON FOR CRIMES AGAINST A CHILD

SPARTA, Wis. – Monroe County District Attorney Kevin Croninger announced today that Jeffery Burrows, 70, of Sparta was sentenced to 8 years in prison followed by 13 years' supervised release after Burrows admitted to charges of third degree sexual assault, causing mental harm to a child, and intentional child abuse. Burrows will be required to register as a sexual offender for the remainder of his life.

In announcing the sentence, Monroe County Circuit Court Judge Richard Radcliffe called Burrows' actions "horrible" and noted they were of an "aggravated" nature because Burrows took advantage of the child's trust.

The investigation of this matter was handled by the Sparta Police Department and led by Investigator Andrew Kuen. The case was prosecuted by Chief Assistant District Attorney Sarah Skiles. Victim services were provided by Anje Schmitz of the Monroe County District Attorney's Office. "This sentence makes our community safer today because the defendant is behind bars and cannot prey on another child. Those who seek to sexually exploit children should receive the message that if you assault a child in our community you will punished," said Chief Assistant District Attorney Skiles.



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