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Subject: Eureka Man Arrested for Sex Offenses against a Minor

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Released by: Captain Watson

On Friday, 6/2/17, at about 2:00 P.M., Eureka Police Department detectives, assisted by investigators of the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office, arrested **Chad Alan Smith** for multiple felony counts of lewd acts upon a child. Smith's arrest, which took place following an interview at the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office, was the result of a lengthy investigation opened by EPD detectives.

Smith was booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on 9 felony counts with his bail set at \$2,675,000.00.

Smith, age 42 of Eureka, reportedly has been employed as a part-time substitute teacher at several public elementary and middle schools in the Fortuna and Eureka areas. He is also the former owner of a restaurant on 5th Street in Eureka.

In order to protect the victim's privacy, EPD is not disclosing any information concerning his or her identity, age, gender, or relationship to Smith. If anyone has information about this investigation, or about other similar crimes involving Chad Alan Smith, please contact EPD Detective Amber Cosetti at (707) 441-4300 or 441-4060. ###