



NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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PRESS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: Registered Sex Offender Charged with Indecent Exposure to Children

An indecent exposure incident occurred at the Goodwill store in the Newark Shopping Center, 230 East Main Street, around 7:00 p.m. on Thursday April 29. Two children, a 3 year-old girl and an 8 year-old boy, were inside the store when a male customer pulled down his pants and exposed himself to the children. The children immediately told their parent what had happened. Store personnel were notified and the police were called. However, the suspect fled the store.

The Newark Police Department was notified by the Office of Probation and Parole that an officer from that agency had seen Derek Mayhew at the Goodwill around the time of the incident. The Probation and Parole Officer knew Mayhew to be a registered sex offender. A Goodwill employee who was present at the time of the incident subsequently identified Mayhew as the person who had exposed himself to the children.

On April 30, Mayhew was arrested and charged with two counts of Indecent Exposure First Degree. After an initial appearance, he was committed to the Young Correctional Facility in default of \$1,500 bond.

Defendant:

Derek L Mayhew	10/12/1972 (37 years)	305 Country Club Drive, Newark
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Any information pertaining to Derek Mayhew can be reported to Det. Nick Sansone at 302-366-7110 ext 135 or Nick.Sansone@cj.state.de.us. Information can also be reported anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, where a reward may be available.

ANONYMOUS TEXT TIP: Text 302NPD and your tip to TIP411 (847411).

The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

Media Contact: Lt. Brian Henry, Public Information Officer, 302-366-7110 ext 125 or brian.henry@cj.state.de.us.

