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## **GROSSE POINTE FARMS HOCKEY COACH CHARGED**

Today, Wayne County Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy charged Robert Walter Bopp, 51 of Taylor and James Ryan McBee, 19 of Highland in connection with a sexual assault of a 16-year-old Farmington Hills male that occurred in the 9000 block of Oak Street in Taylor from 2007 to 2008. Defendant Bopp is the hockey coach at Grosse Pointe South High School located in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The defendants have each been charged with three counts of Criminal Sexual Conduct – First Degree, a felony that carries a sentence of life or any term of years and three counts of Child Sexually Abusive Activity, a felony that carries a sentence of 20 years and/or \$10,000. Bopp has also been charged with Distributing Sexually Explicit Matter to Children, a felony punishable by two years and/or \$10,000 and Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor, a misdemeanor punishable by a mandatory \$1,000 and up to 60 days in jail plus community service.

“Because he has been a coach at Grosse Pointe South High School and involved in metro Detroit hockey for many years coming in contact with hundreds of high school aged boys, there is legitimate reason for concern, said Prosecutor Worthy. “Please call your local police agency immediately if your child has been a victim of Robert Walter Bopp.”

The arraignment on the warrant will take place at 23rd District Court, 23365 Goddard Road, Taylor, Michigan today at 3:00 p.m.

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