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Subject:

MIAMI POLICE APPREHEND SUSPECT INVOLVED IN STRING OF ROBBERIES

The City of Miami Police Department's Robbery Unit arrested <u>Arthur Nathaniel Booth</u> <u>Jr, D.O.B. 03/21/1966</u>, for posing as a maintenance worker to gain access to victims' homes and robbing them of their valuables and jewelry before fleeing the scene.

On <u>August 3, 2024</u>, the suspect knocked on the door of an elderly victim's home, located at 6451 W. Flagler Street and identified himself as a water inspector. The victim allowed him to enter. Once inside, the suspect made his way around the home, including the bedroom. He advised the victim to go into the kitchen to turn on the water, he then went into the bedroom and rummaged through the victim's jewelry box, the victim confronted the suspect, and he immediately fled the scene.

On <u>August 8, 2024</u>, the suspect knocked on the door of a victim's home, located at 5990 W. Flagler Street and identified himself as a plumber. Once he was granted entry, he snatched a necklace from the victim's neck and fled the scene.

On <u>August 20, 2024</u>, the suspect approached a woman who was working on her vehicle at N.W. 34th Avenue and 17th Street and asked for directions. Once the victim turned her back, he took advantage of the opportunity to snatch a gold chain worn with multiple pendants from around the victim's neck.

Detectives quickly gathered enough evidence to obtain and execute search warrants. The warrants revealed the suspect was at the above locations and had clothing matching the descriptions provided. Detectives also discovered that the suspect had pawned jewelry matching the stolen items.

He was arrested and charged with (<u>1</u>) count of <u>Burglary/W Assault/Battery</u>, (<u>1</u>) count of <u>Home Invasion Robbery W/O Firearm/Weapon</u>, and (<u>1</u>) count of Robbery by Sudden <u>Snatching</u>. Please see the attached redacted Arrest Affidavits for more detailed information.

Anyone with information or who has been victimized by the suspect is urged to contact the Miami Police Department's Robbery Unit at (305) 603-6370. Those with information that wish to remain anonymous can contact Miami-Dade Crime Stoppers at (305) 471- TIPS (8477), visit <u>www.crimestoppersmiami.com</u> and select "Give a Tip" or Send a text message to 274637. Enter CSMD followed by the tip information and press send.

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