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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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**State's Attorney J. Hanley**

Winnebago County State's Attorney J. Hanley announces that the Honorable Judge Debra Schafer sentenced **Turhane E. Henderson (DOB: 9/29/1998)** to a total of 14 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections after he plead guilty to two counts of Criminal Sexual Assault. This sentence is required to be served at 85%. Henderson will also be on mandatory supervised release for three years to natural life as part of his sentence.

On February 25, 2023, Rockford Sensitive Crimes Detectives began an investigation after a female victim reported the defendant, Turhane Henderson, sexually assaulted her in the parking lot of the Patriots Gateway Center in the 600 Block of South 5<sup>th</sup> Street. A distraught female told police that Henderson pulled her into his vehicle, and raped her as she repeatedly tried to get away. The victim identified Henderson in a photo line-up.

The Rockford Police Department conducted the investigation in this case. Assistant State's Attorney Emily Palmer handled the prosecution.

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