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## **MILLBROOK MAN ARRESTED ON CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES**

**Chicago** – Attorney General Lisa Madigan’s Office and the Kendall County Sheriff’s Office today announced the arrest Wednesday night of Robert Thornton, 38, of Millbrook on child pornography charges.

Madigan’s High Tech Crimes bureau assisted Kendall County authorities in executing a search warrant at the residence where Thornton rents a room. This search warrant resulted in the seizure of numerous computer hard drives, compact discs and other media allegedly containing images of child pornography and movies. Following the execution of the search warrant, Thornton, a registered sex offender, was charged with seven counts of Unlawful Possession of Child Pornography, a Class 3 felony, and is being held in the Kendall County Jail. The Court sent bond for Thornton at \$100,000. The office of Kendall County State’s Attorney Eric Weis will prosecute the case.

“As part of our extensive efforts to fight high tech crime, my office partners with local law enforcement around the state, like the Kendall County Sheriff’s Office, to investigate and prosecute child pornography,” Madigan said.

“Again, this is a great collaboration of Federal, State, and County law enforcement working to keep our children safe,” Sheriff Richard Randall said.

The public is reminded that these charges are merely accusations. The defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

Attorney General Madigan’s office, through a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, operates the Illinois Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, focused on investigating child exploitation crimes and providing Internet safety training and education. In 2007, the Illinois ICAC Task Force provided Internet safety training and education to more than 20,000 parents, children and law enforcement professionals and responded to more than 575 cyber tips received from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

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