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On February 26, 2021 members of the Nashua Police Department's Problem Oriented Policing (POP) Unit arrested Gregory Payeur, age 40, of 184 Harris Road, Nashua New Hampshire on an arrest warrant for Distribution of Child Sexual Abuse Images (five counts), Special Felony and Possession of Child Sexual Abuse Images (five counts), Class B Felony.

In February 2021, the Nashua Police Department received information from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) regarding the exploitation of children on a social media chat application. The Cyber Crimes against Children Unit furthered the investigation and identified Payeur as the suspect. During a search of Payeur's residence an electronic device was located which contained child sexual abuse images.

As a result of the investigation, an arrest warrant was issued and Payeur was arrested on February 26, 2021. Payeur was held on preventative detention and will be arraigned in the Hillsborough County Superior Court South on March 01, 2021.

A Class B Felony is punishable by up to seven years imprisonment, exclusive of fines. A Special Felony is punishable by a maximum sentence not to exceed 20 years and a minimum sentence not to exceed 1/2 of the maximum sentence, exclusive of fines.

The Nashua Police Department is an affiliate of the Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC) Task Force, working to combat child exploitation in New Hampshire. You can visit the New Hampshire ICAC Task Force website at www.nhicac.org or follow them on Facebook @NewHampshireICAC or Instagram @NewHampshireICAC.

If anyone has further information regarding these cases or would like to anonymously report cases of child exploitation please call the Nashua Police Department crime line (603) 589-1665. You can also follow the Nashua Police Department on Twitter @NashuaPolice.

