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PRESS RELEASE

(St. Michaels, MD) – The Talbot County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division has arrested an individual for voyeur type crimes in the St. Michaels, MD area.

Diego Albarado-Lopez, 30, of St. Michaels, MD has been charged with several counts of Visual Surveillance or "peeping tom" of a residence in the St. Michaels area.

On April 17, 2023, sheriff's office patrol units were dispatched to a residence on Jefferson Avenue in St. Michaels in reference to a "peeping tom" complaint. Investigation revealed the resident's checked their video surveillance footage and discovered a male subject was on their property on April 12, 2023 at about 12:38 a.m. The video footage shows the male subject holding his hands near his groin area. The male subject was identified as Albarado-Lopez.

Detectives conducted an investigation and obtained an arrest warrant for Albarado-Lopez for this incident. Albarado-Lopez was subsequently arrested without incident On April 18, 2023 and was transported to the Talbot County Central Booking facility for booking and processing. Lopez was taken before a District Court Commissioner for an initial appearance where he was held without bond. Lopez had a bail review before a judge in Talbot County District Court on April 19, 2023 and was held without bond.

Albarado-Lopez has been charged with two counts of Stalking, two counts of Harassment, Trespassing and Visual Surveillance in a Private Place with Prurient Intent.

Albarado-Lopez was previously arrested in March 2022 for attempting to burglarize the same Jefferson Avenue residence. Albarado-Lopez was caught in the act by the resident who detained Lopez until deputies arrived. A press release for those incidents generated citizen information about two unreported peeping tom incidents that occurred between May and June 2021 and September and October 2021. The caller reported she observed Lopez peering into the windows of two different residences in the 100 block of Miles Lane on those occasions. Albarado-Lopez ultimately pled guilty in those cases and

received periods of incarceration associated with each case and 36 months of supervised probation.

If anyone has encountered Lopez, or has additional information, they are asked to contact the Talbot County Sheriff's Office at 410-822-1020, by email at sheriff@talbotcountymd.gov, through Facebook at Talbot County Sheriff's Office or on our website at talbotsheriff.org.



Diego Albarado Lopez