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BRIDGETTE R. HART, CARBONDALE, SENTENCED TO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today, Bridgette Hart, age 34, of Carbondale, Illinois, was sentenced to the Illinois Department of Corrections for the offense of Residential Burglary.

On August 15, 2019, at approximately 6:00 a.m., officers from the Carbondale Police Department were dispatched for a reported residential burglary in the Deer Lake neighborhood of Carbondale. The residents reported to the officers that two road bicycles, various items, and car keys were missing from their garage. Within minutes, the officers canvassed the neighborhood and saw Hart on one of the bikes near a backyard fence behind a residence in the same neighborhood. The other bike was located nearby. Hart admitted to stealing the bikes and other items.

On January 27, 2020, Hart pled guilty to Residential Burglary, a Class 1 Felony, and was placed on 48 months of probation. One month later, Hart was arrested for Retail Theft and Possession of Methamphetamine, and a Petition to Revoke her Probation was filed.

On October 1, 2020, following a hearing, she was resentenced to seven and one-half (7.5) years in the Illinois Department of Corrections, to be followed by two (2) years of Mandatory Supervised Release.

The investigation was conducted by the Carbondale Police Department. Assistant State's Attorneys Jayson Clark and Andrew W. Suthard were responsible for the prosecution of this case.