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*****PRESS RELEASE*****
For Immediate Release

On Tuesday, October 29, 2019, Sheriff Troy Peterson announced the arrest of 35 year old Jason Alvin Groves who resides at 176 Tulip Street in Biloxi, MS and 23 year old Kaylee Danae Ragan who resides at 11191 Oak Hill Drive in Biloxi, MS. on a felony charge of Theft of a Motor Vehicle.

According to Sheriff Troy Peterson, Harrison County Investigators were advised by the manager of Keith's Superstore located at 26181 Highway 49 Saucier, MS that a motorcycle had been stolen from their parking lot on October 13, 2019. Investigators reviewed video surveillance and contacted the owner of the motorcycle who had left the motorcycle there after it had broken down. Investigators were able to retrieve photographs of the suspects from video surveillance. With the assistance of Mississippi Coast Crime Stoppers Investigators were able to identify the suspects with tips received from residents that viewed the suspects on social media. Investigators were able to obtain warrants on Groves and Ragan.

On Sunday, October 27, 2019, Groves and Ragan were arrested at the Value Inn on Hwy 49 in Gulfport, MS on the warrants. Groves and Ragan were transported to the Harrison County Adult Detention Center. After conducting interviews, Investigators learned that the stolen motorcycle had been sold to a subject in Biloxi where it was later recovered.

Jason Alvin Groves and Kaylee Danae Ragan were both booked into the Harrison County Adult Detention Facility and charged with Theft of a Motor Vehicle. Groves and Ragan are being held in lieu of a \$25,000.00 dollar bond each, set by Justice Court Judge Melvin Ray

Investigative Officer: Investigator Jimmy Warden

Arresting Officer(s): _____

Approved For Release: _____

Troy J. Peterson, Sheriff, Harrison County, Mississippi