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**DATE: September 20, 2016**

**RE: JEREMY T. GENIUK SENTENCED TO TWENTY YEARS**

OZARK, MO – The Christian County Prosecuting Attorney's Office announces that Jeremy T. Geniuk, dob: 10-19-1988 formerly of Springfield, MO, was sentenced on September 16, 2016 following having pleaded guilty pursuant to a plea agreement on January 8, 2016 to nine counts of statutory sodomy in the first degree of a child less than 14. On September 16, 2016, the defendant was sentenced by the Honorable Judge Laura Johnson. Per the terms of the plea agreement the sentenced was capped at twenty (20) years with the State requesting twenty (20) years on all counts and the defendant able to request any other lesser sentence available within the range of punishment. The State requested the court sentence defendant to twenty (20) years on all counts to run concurrent and the defendant asked the court to sentence him to eight (8) to ten (10) years on all counts to run concurrent. After a lengthy hearing on sentencing, the Honorable Laura Johnson sentenced GENIUK to twenty (20) years in the Missouri Department of Corrections on all nine counts to run concurrent. This was the maximum sentence the defendant faced pursuant to the terms of the plea agreement. The charges stem from offenses that occurred in a residence located in Christian County Missouri during the summer of 2015. The child victim was 13 years old during the time frame.

This matter was investigated by the Nixa Police Department and prosecuted by Prosecuting Attorney Amy Fite.