


City of Gulfport
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Chief Alan Weatherford today announced that:

Case # : 10-001038

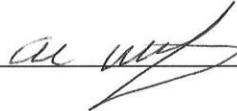
On January 9, 2010, the Gulfport Police Department arrested 37 year old white female Dara Elizabeth Aronson of Gulfport, 31 year old white female Cherie Renee Forehand of Biloxi, and 32 year old white male James Roy Thomas of Biloxi and charged them with one count of burglary of a church.

The arrests stem from an investigation of a burglary at 14049 O'Neal Road, O'Neal Road Baptist Church on January 9, 2010, at approximately 2:30 p.m., where electronics were stolen. A few hours later police received information that three individuals were attempting to pawn a piece of electronic equipment which matched the description of the one stolen from the church. Officers responded and Aronson, Forehand, and Thomas were placed into custody and charged with burglary of a church after the piece of electronic equipment was positively identified as the one stolen from the church.

Aronson, Forehand and Thomas were incarcerated at the Harrison County Adult Detention Center on a bond of \$25,000.00, \$50,000.00, and \$100,000.00 respectfully set by Harrison County Justice Court Judge Gene Dedeaux.

Both Forehand and Thomas were out on probation for burglary at the time of their arrest and Thomas had an outstanding warrant for probation violation through the Mississippi Department of Corrections.

Approved for release by: _____



Date: January 14, 2010

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