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## **DAYTON MAN SENTENCED TO 72 MONTHS IN PRISON FOR RECEIPT OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

DAYTON – Patrick Laake, age 30, of Dayton was sentenced in United States District Court here today to 72 months imprisonment for receipt of child pornography.

Gregory G. Lockhart, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, Keith L. Bennett, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Cincinnati Division, and Dayton Police Chief Richard Biehl, announced the sentence delivered today by United States District Judge Walter H. Rice.

On March 9, 2007, FBI agents executed a search of Laake's Dayton residence and recovered a personal computer belonging to Laake. The computer was submitted to the Miami Valley Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory (MVR CFL), where it was examined by an expert. The forensic analysis revealed that Laake had downloaded from the Internet approximately 7 images, 49 videos and one animated video, all depicting minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct, including images of prepubescent children. The visual depictions, images and movies included minors that were identified as actual known children who were catalogued in the National Child Victim Identification Program (NCVIP).

Laake pleaded guilty in August, 2008 to one count of receipt of child pornography. Laake must serve a term of 10 years of supervised release, a form of parole, at the conclusion of his prison term. In addition, he will be required to attend a sexual offender treatment program while incarcerated.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the U.S. Attorneys Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit

[www.projectsafefchildhood.gov/](http://www.projectsafefchildhood.gov/).

Lockhart commended the cooperative investigations by FBI agents, Dayton Police officers, and Computer Forensics analysts, and Assistant U.S. Attorney Sheila Lafferty, who prosecuted the case.

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