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Vehicle Driving Into Woodfield Mall Update #2

On September 27, 2019, Javier Garcia, 22, the driver of the vehicle that was driven into Sears/Woodfield Mall last Friday, September 20, 2019, was released from AMITA Health Behavioral Medicine Institute and transferred to the custody of Schaumburg Police.

Upon completion of the investigation, detectives contacted the Cook County State's Attorney's Office, who authorized charges in the case. Garcia was subsequently charged as follows:

Charges:

- Terrorism - Class X Felony. This is a state charge, based on the following elements:
Any act that causes substantial damage to any building containing (5) or more businesses of any type.
Substantial damage means monetary damage greater than \$100,000.
- Criminal Damage to Property - Class 2 Felony – Damages in excess of \$100,000.

The police investigation revealed Garcia was acting alone. A motive has not been determined. Police have no reason to believe Garcia was targeting any specific person and/or store within Sears or Woodfield Mall.

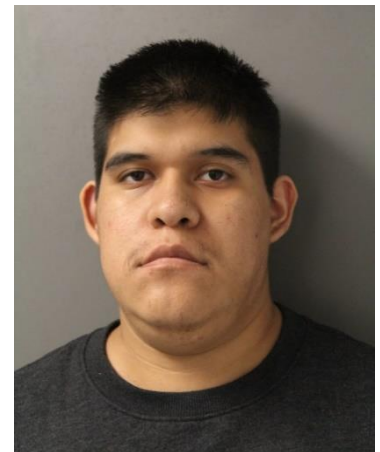
Garcia will be transported to Bond Court, 26th and California, Chicago, on Sunday, September 29, 2019.

Subject:

Javier Garcia, 22 yoa

DOB: 10-13-1996

Resides in the 1300 block of N. Geneva, Palatine, IL, 60074



Garcia

Members of the public are reminded that this arrest and complaint contains only charges and is not proof of the defendant's guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial in which it is the government's burden to prove his or her guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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