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IMMEDIATE USE PRESS RELEASE UPDATE

TYPE: Bomb Threat

DATE OF RELEASE: June 19, 2017

DATE AND TIME OCCURRED: June 19, 2017 at approximately 11:48am

LOCATION: Kalkaska County Court House, Kalkaska Township, Kalkaska County

INFORMATION: Sheriff Pat Whiteford reports that on Monday, 6/19/17 at approximately 11:48 am Kalkaska County Clerk's Office received a voice mail message stating that there was going to be a bomb in the Courthouse today.

Personnel from both the Court and Administrative Buildings were immediately evacuated and remain closed until further notice. In addition, the Sheriff's Office Administrative Services are closed to public walk-in until further notice.

Sheriff Pat Whiteford assures Kalkaska residents that there is no immediate threat of danger outside of the County Complex and that all precautionary measures are being taken to ensure citizens can safely return to the County Complex before services are reopened.

At 3:15 pm on 6/19/17 the Michigan State Police bomb dog finished clearing the Kalkaska County Court House and Administration Buildings. There were no devices found that would support the bomb threat and consequently, the scene was released. Administrative offices and Court services will resume normal activity at 8:00 am on 6/20/17. This incident is still under investigation.

The Kalkaska Sheriff Office was assisted by the Michigan State Police and Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

APPROVED BY:

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