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NEWS RELEASE

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Habitual Felon Team sends 13 defendants to prison

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Habitual Felon Team convicted 15 defendants the week of June 11, 2018 in administrative courtroom 5350. Thirteen of those defendants were sent to prison. The defendants entered guilty pleas before The Honorable W. Robert Bell, Superior Court Judge.

Among those convicted were:

Tanorris Massey, 35, pled guilty to 1) possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 2) being a habitual felon. Massey was sentenced to 58-82 months in prison. Massey's prior convictions include conspiracy to commit armed robbery, possession with intent to sell or deliver marijuana and common law robbery.

Rodney Thomas, 51, pled guilty to 1) attempting to commit felony larceny by removing, destroying or deactivating a component of an antishoplifting or inventory control device and 2) being a habitual felon. Thomas was sentenced to 35-54 months in prison. Thomas' prior convictions include assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury, felony breaking or entering and attempting to commit felony larceny.

James Clay, 31, pled guilty to 1) felony flee to elude with a motor vehicle, 2) felony possession of cocaine and 3) being a habitual felon. Clay was sentenced to 31-50 months in prison. Clay's prior convictions include robbery with a dangerous weapon, felony possession of cocaine and possession of a stolen motor vehicle.

Charles Brown, 40, pled guilty to 1) felony breaking or entering and 2) being a habitual breaking or entering status offender. Brown was sentenced to 27-45 months in prison. Brown's prior convictions include two prior counts of felony breaking or entering and felony possession of cocaine.

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