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**Arrest of an SDPD Sergeant**

**San Diego** - Yesterday at 9:00 p.m., San Diego Police Department detectives arrested Joseph Ruvido, a Sergeant with SDPD. Joseph Ruvido has been booked into San Diego County Jail for one count of 288.4(b) PC, soliciting a minor for sex.

On July 24, 2019, the department received a tip from CrimeStoppers via the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) unit. The tip identified individuals soliciting sex with minors and we discovered that one of the alleged individuals was Joseph Ruvido, a member of the department. We immediately opened a criminal investigation and began gathering information and evidence. The investigation culminated yesterday with the arrest of Joseph Ruvido in the Carmel Valley community. He was taken into custody without incident and a search warrant was also obtained and served. This investigation will be on-going and detectives will gather all available evidence.

Joseph Ruvido is a 49-year-old resident of San Diego. He is a 21-year veteran of the department and had been assigned to the Watch Commander's Office.

Chief Nisleit will be holding a press conference today, July 27, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at department headquarters to give the community information about this arrest.

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