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Gurnee Police Officer Arrested for Retail Theft

Gurnee, IL - On April 28th, 2024, at 3:37 PM, officers from the Gurnee Police Department responded to the 6500 block of Grand Avenue for a retail theft. The offender, identified as Antoine J. Smith, a 32-year-old male from Round Lake and a Detective with the Gurnee Police Department, was apprehended for engaging in under-ringing at the self-checkout. Smith was not on duty at the time of the incident.

Under-ringing is a deceptive practice involving deliberately scanning items at a lower price than their actual value or intentionally not scanning merchandise during the checkout process. This unlawful act constitutes retail theft under Illinois state law.

Upon thorough investigation and in accordance with departmental protocols, Smith was charged with retail theft. Subsequently, Detective Smith resigned from his position within the Gurnee Police Department on April 28th. Smith was employed with the department for four years.

The Gurnee Police Department upholds the highest standards of integrity and professionalism, and any actions contrary to these principles will be met with swift and decisive action. The department remains committed to serving and protecting the community with integrity and transparency.