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Subject:

ARREST MADE IN SERIES OF ROBBERIES TARGETING MALE VICTIMS

Miami Police Burglary Detectives have arrested Sarah Jean Tavano (DOB: 09/19/1986) for her involvement in three separate incidents in which male victims met the suspect at local night clubs, and she accompanied them back to their hotel or residence, where they were allegedly drugged, and robbed of high-value property.

On October 26, 2025, a male victim met the suspect at a local club and accompanied him back to his home. At some point the victim blacked out, but later regained consciousness to find multiple luxury items were missing, including designer handbags, wallet, various gold and diamond jewelry. The total loss was estimated at approximately \$26,426.

On December 11, 2025, suspect met a male victim at a nightlife venue and accompanied him back to his hotel. At some point the victim blacked out, but later regained consciousness to find his wallet, containing credit and debit cards, and an Apple iPhone 17 were missing. He also discovered multiple unauthorized transactions totaling approximately \$14,000 were made on his financial accounts.

On December 13, 2025, suspect met a male victim at a nightclub and accompanied him back to his hotel. After consuming a drink, the victim became ill and lost consciousness. Upon regaining awareness, he discovered that his gold Rolex Day-Date watch, valued at \$38,000, and \$1,500 in cash were missing.

Following an extensive investigation, detectives identified and linked Sarah Jean Tavano to the reported incident(s). She was apprehended on January 18, 2026, and has been charged with Robbery (Strong Arm), Organized Fraud (\$20,000 or More), Burglary of an Occupied Structure, and Grand Theft.

For more detailed information, please see the attached redacted arrest affidavits.

Anyone with information or who has been victimized by the suspect is urged to contact the Miami Police Department's Robbery Unit at (305) 603-6370. Those with information that wish to remain anonymous can contact Miami-Dade Crime Stoppers at (305) 471- TIPS (8477), visit www.crimestoppersmiami.com and select "Give a Tip" or Send a text message to 274637. Enter CSMD followed by the tip information and press send.

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