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AURORA WOMAN FACES STALKING CHARGES

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Kane County State's Attorney Joe McMahon has charged 51-year-old **Karen E. Reed** with the offenses of:

- Aggravated stalking, Class 3 felony
- Stalking, Class 4 felony
- Violating a stalking no-contact order, Class A misdemeanor

Kane County prosecutors allege that multiple times between May and July 2020 Reed engaged in a pattern of following, watching and stalking behavior in violation of a court order.

The order, issued in 2018, prohibits Reed from contacting the victim and from being within 500 feet of the victim, the victim's home and a home on North Loucks Street.

In May, Reed followed the victim from her home to a car wash and watched her. Later in May, Reed attempted to communicate with the victim via a text message.

In July, Reed waited in her car for the victim to exit a home in Aurora and then drove past her. At 5 a.m. the next day Reed again followed the victim after she left the same home in Aurora. Two days later Reed was leaving a shopping center parking lot when she saw the victim drive into the lot. Reed turned around, parked next to the store the victim had entered and waited there until the victim left.

A Kane County judge on Aug. 18, 2020, issued a warrant for Reed's arrest, setting her bail at \$8,500 with 10 percent (\$850) to apply for bond. Aurora police on Aug. 21, 2020, took Reed into custody. Reed posted the \$850 bond and was released.

Reed's next court appearance is set for 9 a.m. Oct. 14, 2020, in Courtroom 305 at the Kane County Judicial Center.

The charges against Reed are not proof of guilt. Reed is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial in which it is the state's burden to prove her guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

Karen E. Reed: Age 51 (d.o.b. 2-10-1969), of the 1700 block of North Marywood Avenue, Aurora, Illinois. Case No. 20CF1497.