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CHARLES RALPH TEWEE SENTENCED TO 70 MONTHS IN PRISON

HILLSBORO, Ore- On October 30, 2024, a Washington County jury found Charles Ralph Tewee guilty of assault in the second degree and unlawful use of a weapon. He was sentenced to 70 months in prison by Judge Erik Buchér. Deputy District Attorneys Alicia Gerten and Trinity Hatch prosecuted this case.

On March 12, 2024, Tigard police were dispatched to the intersection of SW Pacific Highway and SW 72nd Avenue after they got a report of two men fighting in the street. When they arrived, officers found the victim lying on the sidewalk. He was bleeding profusely from multiple stab wounds. Officers also found a large kitchen knife in the street near the victim. Several witnesses reported they saw the victim retreating away from the defendant as Mr. Tewee followed him with a knife. The victim was rushed to the hospital for emergency surgery and survived the incident.

The defendant was found a short time later walking down the street. He had cuts on his fingers. The defendant claimed he was acting in self-defense but told officers this was not the first time he had to use a knife on someone.

The Washington County District Attorney's Office commends the actions of witnesses who alerted police. This office also thanks the Tigard Police Department for its swift response.

Mr. Tewee will be transferred to the Oregon Department of Corrections to serve his sentence.