

## **MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH**

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### **Parent not paying his support to go to jail for 10 months**

(Akron, March 1, 2007) ... Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that on February 28, 2007, Judge Jane Bond sentenced **Gregory Beebe**, 47, of Lodi Street in Akron, to the ten months in prison for Criminal Nonsupport. At the time of sentencing, the Defendant owed **\$19,495.65** in child support arrears for his child.

This Criminal Nonsupport case involves one child (DOB: 9-12-93). The Defendant and the Custodial Parent were married; however, they divorced in 1997. In the divorce decree, Mr. Beebe was ordered to make child support payments in the amount of \$75.00 per week. In 2003, the child support was modified to \$291.26 per month.

The Defendant failed to pay child support as ordered and was found guilty of contempt in 2001. In 2002 a subsequent contempt was filed, but was dismissed for lack of service.

In 2001, the Defendant was charged with criminal nonsupport. He pled guilty and was placed on community control. After violating the terms and conditions of community control, Judge Unruh sentenced the Defendant to prison for six months.

After being released from prison and failing to make child support payments as ordered, the Defendant was indicted for criminal nonsupport, a felony of the fourth degree. The Defendant pled guilty and was sentenced to community control.

On February 28, 2007, the Defendant pled guilty to violating the terms and conditions of probation. Judge Bond sentenced the Defendant to prison for ten months.