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DEFENDANT SENTENCED IN

SAVANNAH MCDONALD'S DOCUMENT FRAUD CASE

SAVANNAH, GA: EVA RAMOS, 36, who worked as a manager for a chain of Savannah area McDonald's restaurants, was sentenced on Wednesday by U.S. District Court Judge William T. Moore, Jr. to 32 months in prison for her role in a scheme to sell the stolen identities of United States citizens to employees within the McDonald's restaurants.

United States Attorney Edward J. Tarver said, "Our office will work with our federal partners to protect unknowing United States citizens against identity theft which is a rapidly growing problem across our country. Victims of identity fraud suffer a great deal and the effects of such fraud can be long-lasting."

Evidence presented during Ramos' guilty plea and sentencing hearings revealed that Ramos, with the assistance of others, knowingly provided the identities of United States citizens to illegal aliens applying for work at Savannah area McDonald's restaurants. Ramos sold some of the identities for a profit.

In addition to her 32-month prison sentence, RAMOS was ordered to pay a fine of \$1500, and ordered to serve 3 years on supervised release upon release from prison.

The indictment of Eva Ramos and others arose out of an undercover investigation by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's Homeland Security Investigations. Assistant United States Attorney Natalie Lee prosecuted the case for the United States. For additional information, please contact First Assistant United States Attorney James D. Durham at (912) 201-2547.