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State closes Kingman Flower Shop for not paying state sales and withholding taxes

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TOPEKA – Wednesday afternoon, Kansas Department of Revenue agents and Kingman Police officers seized the business assets of Kingman Flower Shop, which owes \$26,588 in state sales and withholding taxes.

Officers seized all known bank accounts, on-site cash, business inventory and personal property assets belonging to owner Jill Selfridge-Obrock. The business, at 249 N. Main St., Kingman, was sealed closed and the assets will be sold at public auction to pay the taxes owed.

Warrant execution occurs when all other collection attempts, including multiple letters, telephone calls, letters of impending legal action, tax liens filed with the local District Court to secure the debt, previous bank levies and on-site till taps are executed to bring the taxpayer into compliance have been exhausted.

Only after several unsuccessful attempts does the department take the action of seizing assets, which in this instance resulted in the business being closed.

The Revenue Department's standard practice is to continually encourage delinquent taxpayers, who are not lawfully filing or paying taxes - such as sales or withholding - to voluntarily enter into a repayment agreement.

Tax Warrants:

Sales Tax: #2008ST5 - Kingman County - April 2007 through Feb. 2008 - \$1,972.26

Sales Tax: #2008ST79 - Kingman County - March 2008 through June 2008, \$2,748.10

Sales Tax: #2009ST27 - Kingman County - July 2008 through May 2009 - \$7,062.88

Sales Tax: #2010ST9 - Kingman County - June 2009 through Feb. 2010 - \$4,364.72

Sales Tax: #2011ST2 - Kingman County - March 2010 through Sept. 2010- \$9,445.92

Withholding Tax: #2011ST3 - Kingman County – Third Quarter 2009 through Third Quarter 2010 - \$993.89

Total owed: \$26,587.77