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From the Office of:
Commander Michael McGarry

NEWS RELEASE

Commercial Burglary/ Attempt Vehicular Hijacking Arrests UPDATE

On January 13, 2023, at approximately 3:55AM Wilmette Police Officers responded to a commercial burglary alarm at the Wilmette Market located at 3534 Lake Ave. As a Wilmette Officer approached the scene, he observed a black Jeep Cherokee leaving. The Jeep fled onto eastbound I94, and the Officer initiated a motor vehicle pursuit. The Wilmette Officer terminated the pursuit in the City of Chicago, near Wilson Avenue. As the Wilmette Officer continued toward Irving Park Road, he observed the offending vehicle damaged against the side wall of the expressway with three offenders fleeing the vehicle on foot.

The three offenders approached a white van, with one offender displaying a handgun. The offenders attempted to car jack the van. The driver of the van was able to pull his vehicle away and was not physically injured during the incident. Wilmette Officers, with the assistance of the Chicago Police and Illinois State Police, took the three offenders into custody without further incident.

One of the three offenders was transported to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries sustained in the crash and was released on January 14, 2023.

Officers recovered two loaded handguns; the first from an offender and the second from the vicinity of the initial arrest. Burglary proceeds were also recovered from the offenders and their vehicle. The stolen property included \$1,000.00 United States Currency and more than \$6,000.00 worth of cigarettes and alcohol. The investigation revealed the offending vehicle was stolen out of Elgin, IL on December 17, 2022.

The Cook County State's Attorney's Office has initially charged the offenders with the below offenses. One of the offenders is currently on parole for a similar offense. The Wilmette Police Department may seek additional charges associated with this arrest. The Illinois State Police will be seeking charges for the attempt vehicular hijacking offense.

Arrestee:

Joe Jackson
32-Year-Old Male
6812 S. Calumet Ave, # 2, Chicago, IL, 60637

Charges:

625 ILCS 5/4-103(a)(1) Possession Stolen Motor Vehicle
625 ILCS 5/11-204.1(a)(1) Agg Fleeing and Eluding
720 ILCS 5/24-1.1(a) Unlawful Use of a Weapon



720 ILCS 5/31-1(a) Resisting a Peace Officer
720 ILCS 5/19-1(a) Burglary

Court:

9:00 AM on February 27, 2023, in Room 105, 2nd District Skokie Ct. **Bond:** \$80,000D

Arrestee:

Diamantae Joiner
20-Year-Old Male
9037 S. Elizabeth St, Chicago, IL, 60620

Charges:

720 ILCS 5/19-1(a) Burglary

Court:

9:00 AM on February 27, 2023, in Room 105, 2nd District Skokie Ct. **Bond:** \$10,000D

Arrestee:

Kayson A. Smith
18-Year-Old Male
13728 S. Parnell Ave, Riverdale, IL, 60827

Charges:

720 ILCS 5/19-1(a) Burglary

Court:

9:00 AM on February 27, 2023, in Room 105, 2nd District Skokie Ct. **Bond:** \$15,000D