

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Arrests for Immediate Release for October 2024**

A 19 year old Albany resident was arrested by Officer Jakeb Boniface following a stolen vehicle complaint. The defendant was a passenger and was in possession of a stolen motor vehicle. The defendant was charged with Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle in the Third Degree. The defendant was processed and released on an appearance ticket, set to appear in court at a later date.

A 19 year old Albany resident was arrested by Officer Nicholas Liuzzi following a weapon threat complaint at Walmart. The defendant did threaten the victim with a pocketknife. The defendant was charged with Menacing in the Second Degree, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Fourth Degree, and Harassment in the Second Degree. The defendant was processed and released on their own recognizance, set to appear in court at a later date.

A 23 year old Troy resident was arrested by Officer Jakeb Boniface following an assault complaint at the Hampton Inn. The defendant did assault the victim by striking her in the face and neck repeatedly. The defendant was charged with Assault in the Third Degree, Criminal Mischief in the Fourth Degree, and Endangering the Welfare of a Child. The defendant was processed and released on their own recognizance, set to appear in court at a later date.

A 30 year old Schenectady resident was arrested by Officer Nicholas Liuzzi following a harassment complaint at Walmart. The defendant did subject the victim to unwanted physical contact by grabbing him by his wrists and forcing his arms behind his back. The defendant was charged with Harassment in the Second Degree and Endangering the Welfare of a Child. The defendant was processed and released on an appearance ticket, set to appear in court at a later date.

A 33 year old Rensselaer resident was arrested by Sergeant Trevor LaGrave following a hit and run accident. The defendant was involved in a property damage auto accident, and did operate a motor vehicle while intoxicated by alcohol. The defendant was charged with Operating a Motor

Vehicle While Intoxicated and Leaving the Scene of an Accident. The defendant was processed and released on an appearance ticket, set to appear in court at a later date.

A 47 year old Rensselaer resident was arrested by Officer Matthew LaFortune following a traffic stop. The defendant did operate a motor vehicle with a suspended registration, and with a revoked NYS driver license. The defendant was charged with Aggravated Unlicensed Operation in the Third Degree and Unregistered Motor Vehicle. The defendant was processed and released on an appearance ticket, set to appear in court at a later date.

A 26 year old East Greenbush resident was arrested by Officer Max Scheibly following a criminal mischief complaint. The defendant did destroy \$850 worth of property. The defendant was charged with Criminal Mischief in the Third Degree, Obstructing Governmental Administration, and Tampering with Physical Evidence. The defendant was processed, given an appearance ticket to appear in court at a later date and remanded to Rensselaer County Jail on the strength of a Parole Warrant.

A 34 year old East Nassau resident was arrested by Officer Nicholas Liuzzi following a traffic accident. The defendant was involved in a property damage auto accident, and did operate a motor vehicle while intoxicated by alcohol. The defendant was charged with Operating a Motor Vehicle While Intoxicated and Speed Not Reasonable and Prudent. The defendant was processed and released on an appearance ticket, set to appear in court at a later date.

A 37 year old Troy resident was arrested by Officer Brenden Finch following a vehicle pursuit. The defendant did flee a traffic stop in a motor vehicle and attempted to flee officers on foot. The defendant was charged with Resisting Arrest, Obstructing Governmental Administration, and Aggravated Unlicensed Operation in the Third Degree. The defendant was processed and released on an appearance ticket, set to appear in court at a later date.

A 54 year old Albany Resident was arrested by Officer Jakeb Boniface following a fight at Walmart. The defendant did subject the victim to unwanted physical contact by striking him with a closed fist on the head. The defendant was charged with Harassment in the Second Degree. The defendant was processed and released on an appearance ticket, set to appear in court at a later date.

A 21 year old Catskill resident was arrested by Officer Jakeb Boniface following a harassment complaint. The defendant did contact the victim numerous times for no apparent reason, in violation of the Order of Protection that was set in place between the two of them. The defendant was charged with Aggravated Harassment in the Second Degree, and Criminal Contempt in the Second Degree. The defendant was processed and released on their own recognizance, set to appear in court at a later date.

A 43 year old Albany resident was arrested by Officer Anthony Belardo following a shoplifting complaint from Walmart. The defendant did steal \$472.04 worth of merchandise from Walmart. The defendant was charged with Petit Larceny. The defendant was processed and released on an appearance ticket, set to appear in court at a later date.

A 30 year old Albany resident was arrested by Detective Sergeant Guadagnino following an investigation. The defendant did illegally possess a firearm and a quantity of illegal drugs. The defendant was charged with Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree, Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Second Degree, and Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the Third Degree. The defendant was processed and remanded to the Rensselaer County Jail on \$50,000 cash or bond.

A 74 year old Albany resident was arrested by Officer Jakeb Boniface following a traffic stop. The defendant did operate a motor vehicle while intoxicated by alcohol. The defendant was charged with Operating a Motor Vehicle While Intoxicated and Operating a Motor Vehicle with Inadequate Headlamps. The defendant was processed and released on an appearance ticket, set to appear in court at a later date.

An 18 year old Albany resident was arrested by Sergeant Mark Herrington following a shoplifting complaint from Walmart. The defendant did steal \$472.04 worth of merchandise from Walmart. The defendant was charged with Petit Larceny. The defendant was processed and released on an appearance ticket, set to appear in court at a later date.

A 21 year old East Greenbush resident was arrested by Officer Joshua Witko following a traffic stop. The defendant did possess a quantity of illegal drugs within her vehicle. The defendant was charged with Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the Seventh Degree. The defendant was processed and released on an appearance ticket, set to appear in court at a later date.

8 individuals were assisted with a mental health crisis in the month of October 2024.