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### **Press Release**

Reference Guilford Police Case 18-14596, members of the Guilford Police Department arrested Jose Hernandez, a 47 year old male New Haven Resident.

The incident took place at 2:40am after Sgt John O'Brien and Officer Jared Dillon located a vehicle parked in the parking lot of the Valley Motel on RT 80 in Guilford that was determined to be stolen. After surveilling the area for a short time, the Officers observed a single male in the stolen vehicle. Both Officers made efforts to secure the suspect and vehicle in the parking area, however the suspect was able to evade Officers by driving over a grass area and engaged one Officer in a short pursuit. The pursuit was quickly ended and the male suspect fled on foot while Officer Dillon and Sgt O'Brien gave chase. The Officers were able to subdue the suspect after a physical altercation and take him into custody. The male later identified as Hernandez was found to have an active arrest warrant from a violent incident originating in New Haven with a two million dollar bond. New Haven Police further confirmed that Hernandez had engaged their Officers in pursuit and eluded them multiple times over the past 2 months.

Hernandez was later processed and transported to court for arraignment for both his active arrest warrant as well as the incident that occurred in Guilford. The Guilford incident yielded the following charges for Hernandez:

Assaulting a Police Officer (2 counts), Interfering with a Police Officer / Resisting, Larceny 2nd Degree, Criminal Trover 2nd Degree, Engaging Police In Pursuit and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Hernandez was held on an additional \$50,000 bond for the Guilford charges.