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Date: Monday, April 18, 2022

Time: 5:36 PM

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Non-Investigative Informational Announcement

Case Number: 22-16048

Type of Incident: Vehicle Theft

Date / Time of Incident: 4-18-2022 / 9:51am

Location of Incident: 1114 W 10th Avenue (Heatherstone Apartments)

Do not release suspect name if they are a juvenile.

Suspect (Age) / City Residence: 32YOA **Suspect in Custody**

Charges: Robbery 1st Degree (Class-A Felony), Theft of Motor Vehicle (Class-B Felony), Unlawful Imprisonment (Class-C Felony), and Resisting Arrest (Gross Misdemeanor)

Suspect (Age) / City Residence: **Suspect in Custody**

Charges:

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Summary of Incident / Details:

On Monday, March 18 2022 at approximately 9:50am, Kennewick Police Officers were dispatched to an auto theft just occurred located at 813 W Columbia Drive. The suspect allegedly stole the victim's vehicle. The victim was not injured in this incident. Through investigation, Officers identified a 32-year old Kennewick resident as the suspect. It should be noted the victim and suspect are known to each other, and this is not a random incident.

The 32-year old male allegedly committed multiple violent crimes throughout Pasco and Kennewick prior to stealing the victim's vehicle. Probable cause was established for the suspect for the Kennewick and Pasco incidents.

At approximately 1400 hours Kennewick Police Officers were in the area of 1114 W 10th Avenue (Heatherstone Apartments) conducting extra patrol. Officers observed the suspect male involved in this case and he fled on foot. Additional officers responded to the scene and contained an apartment the suspect was believed to have



fled into. Officers gave numerous announcements for the suspect to exit the apartment, but he chose not to exit.

Probable cause for violent crimes existed in Benton and Franklin County incidents and it was believed the suspect may be armed with a gun. The Tri-City Regional SWAT Team was requested to the scene. After about two hours, the suspect was taken into custody.

The suspect male was taken into custody for Robbery 1st Degree (Class-A Felony), Theft of Motor Vehicle (Class-B Felony), Unlawful Imprisonment (Class-C Felony), and Resisting Arrest (Gross Misdemeanor).

With violent crimes on the rise, we will continue to investigate and work with our regional law enforcement partners to hold violent offenders accountable for their actions. We are "Committed to Your Safety". We appreciate the assistance of our area law enforcement partners during this incident.

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If anyone has information about this incident, please call the non-emergency number at 509-628-0333 and reference the above case number. Anonymous tips can also be provided online at www.kpdtips.com.

Posted to Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and/or YouTube)

Photos, Audio, and/or Video Attached

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