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For Immediate Release:

On May 24, at 2:50am, Officer Kyle Ferreira was patrolling Wyckoff Avenue in the area of Franklin Avenue when he observed a vehicle travelling carelessly in front of him. Officer Ferreira stopped the vehicle and the subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Gabrielle Busto, Mahwah, age 30. Ms. Busto was charged with driving while intoxicated, reckless driving, delaying traffic, failure to exhibit insurance and obstructed view. Ms. Busto is scheduled to appear in court. Officer William Plisich and Officer Michael Flim assisted.

On May 26, at 7:57pm, Officer James Bakelaar was dispatched to the CVS Pharmacy, 303 Franklin Avenue for a report of a driver possibly slumped over the steering wheel of their vehicle. The subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Andrew James, Wyckoff, age 29. Mr. James was charged with driving while intoxicated, reckless driving and under the influence of a controlled dangerous substance. He is scheduled to appear in court. Officer Kevin Pinches assisted.

Also on May 26, at 7:57pm, Officer Ryan Noon was conducting speed enforcement on State Highway, Route 208, when he observed a vehicle pass his location at a high rate of speed. Officer Noon stopped the vehicle and the subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Marangely Varra, Allentown, Pa, age 29. Ms. Varra was charged with possession of marijuana, speeding, failure to maintain lane, improper passing, following too closely, failure to provide insurance and registration, driving while intoxicated and reckless driving. She is scheduled to appear in court. Sergeant Michael DeMaio assisted. On June 4, at 3:49pm, Officer Michael Flim was patrolling State Highway, Route 208 South when he observed a vehicle in front of him with a motor vehicle violation. Officer Flim stopped the vehicle and the subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Nicolas Ortiz Jr., Wanaque, age 35. Mr. Ortiz was charged with possession of marijuana, possession of paraphernalia, improper display of license plates, tinted windows and operating a motor vehicle with drug possession. He is scheduled to appear in court. Officer Kyle Ferreira and Officer Kaitlyn Maglione assisted.

The Wyckoff Police would like to remind all residents not to pay contractors for services up front without the work being completed and to your satisfaction. If you find a contractor you're tempted to hire, contact Consumer Affairs to see if the contractor is properly licensed or registered with the state, and see if there are any complaints against the business. If the contractor is a specialist, such as a plumber or electrician, check with the correct state licensing board to be sure they are in good standing. Call (800) 242-5846, <u>or check online</u>. If you think you've been had, be sure to file a complaint with Consumer Affairs and the Wyckoff Police.

We cannot stress enough the value of our residents remaining alert in their neighborhoods and reporting anything unusual or suspicious to the police, "Hear It! See It! Report It!" We encourage all residents to report any suspicious persons, vehicles, or activity occurring in their neighborhoods at any time to Wyckoff Police- County Dispatch (201)891-2121

"The Wyckoff Police Department would like to point out that these individuals have been charged with a crime, offense, and/or motor vehicle violation. However, they are presumed innocent unless and until they are found guilty in a court of law."