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For Immediate Release:

On October 18, 2021, at 1:00 PM, a group of approximately 40 people arrived at Russell Farms Park for a planned demonstration. The group left the park, and with police closely monitoring, walked to a nearby residential neighborhood. As the group assembled in the neighborhood, they were advised to not block any roadways or enter onto any private property. An individual who identified herself as the law enforcement liaison for the group advised that certain demonstrators had assembled with the intent of being arrested. The group was strongly advised to remain orderly and not violate any laws. Numerous attempts were made by law enforcement to de-escalate the situation and several warnings were issued. Twelve of the demonstrators ignored police orders to vacate the private driveway that they had entered. As a result of their refusal to comply with a lawful directive, the twelve individuals were placed under arrest. They were transported into headquarters and charged with criminal trespass. After processing, they were released and are scheduled to appear in court. The Wyckoff Police were assisted by the Bergen County Sheriff's Department, North Haledon Police Department, Franklin Lakes Police Department, Oakland Police Department, Midland Park Police Department, Ridgewood Police Department, Glen Rock Police Department, and the Hawthorne Police Department.

Arrested were:

Marielle M. Miller, Allentown PA., age; 25. Abigail Rose Leedy, Philadelphia PA., age; 20. Ester L. Feldman, Brooklyn NY, age; 18. Gail M. Tierney, Harrisburg PA., age; 27 Beth E. Keenan, Robbinsville, NJ age; 21 Alexander I. Selsey, Hazel Park, MI., age; 23 Nelson Pavlosky, Philadelphia PA., age; 37 Arthur Borden-Heilman, Brooklyn, NY., age; 26 Seth E. Wohl, Warrington, PA., age; 20 Richard C. Avvenire, East Brunswick, NJ., age; 24 Edward K. Brown, Philadelphia, PA., age; 18 Gabriel A. Reicher, New York, NY., age; 23

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

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 at any time to the Wyckoff Police – County Communications Center at 201-891-2121 or 911 in the event of an emergency.