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PRESS RELEASE - May 10, 2017

1. **Bench Warrant:** On Wednesday, May 3, 2017, at 12:05 AM, Patrolman Brock Taylor and Lieutenant John Arnold arrested **William Palmer**, age 34, of 259 James Trail, Richmond on the strength of an **outstanding 4th District Court Bench Warrant** that had been issued on March 10, 2017, for *Failure to Appear for Home Confinement Review* on an original charge of *Operating on a Suspended License* (Richmond PD) after Officer Taylor was dispatched to James Trail for a report of a "suspicious person" wearing a backpack walking along the darkened rural road with no flashlight. The contact revealed the above warrant. Mr. Palmer was processed at the station, and was transported the Intake Service Center at the ACI.
2. **Bench Warrant:** On Wednesday, May 3, 2017, at 4:58 PM, Patrolmen Ryan Donohue and Dan Kelley arrested **Joseph J. Bettencourt**, age 60, of 24 Piedmont Street, Providence on the strength of an **outstanding Providence Superior Court Full Bench Warrant** that had been issued on February 13, 2017, for *Failure to Appear for Cost Review* on an original charge of *Driving While Impaired* (RI State Police) after a motor vehicle stop for speeding on Dawley Park Road revealed the above warrant. Mr. Bettencourt was processed at the station, and was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Michael Robinson. He was released after posting the requisite cash bail of \$1,472.
3. **Bench Warrant:** On Wednesday, May 5, 2017, at 5:55 PM, Corporal William Litterio arrested **Michael Pellegrino**, age 39, of 133 Morris Avenue, Pawtucket on the strength of an **outstanding 3rd District Court Bench Warrant** that had been issued on June 9, 2015, for *Failure to Appear - Ability to Pay* on an original charge of *Domestic Simple Assault* (Cranston Police Department). A motor vehicle on stop Bridge Street revealed that the passenger (Mr. Pellegrino) had an outstanding warrant. Mr. Pellegrino was processed at the station, and was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Joseph Scott. He was released after posting the requisite surety bail of \$3,435 (or the 10% cash equivalent of \$343.50).

4. **Violation of court-issued No-Contact Order:** On Sunday, May 7, 2017, at 7:25 PM, Patrolman Anthony Zoglio arrested **Danny J. Nieves**, age 24, of 112 Sassafras Street, Providence on a charge of **Violation of a No-Contact Order (Protection Order)** after stopping his vehicle on Route 95 Southbound for speeding at **93-MPH** in a posted **65-MPH-zone**. The stop revealed that Mr. Nieves had an adult female passenger and a small child in a child's car seat in his vehicle. Officer Zoglio discovered the existence of a court-issued no-contact order barring Mr. Nieves from being in the presence of the protected person (the adult female passenger). Mr. Nieves was arrested for violating the protective order and was processed at the station. He was held overnight pending his appearance before 4th District Court on Monday morning for the above charge, and a potential violation of his probation status.
5. **Misdemeanor - Domestic Simple Assault, Domestic Disorderly Conduct, & Resisting Arrest:** On Monday, May 8th, 2017 at approximately 5:45 PM, Patrolmen Daniel Kelley and Anthony Zoglio arrested **Anthony J. Dumsar**, age 28, of 66 Fairview Avenue, Apt. A, Hope Valley on charges of (1) **Domestic Simple Assault**, (2) **Domestic Disorderly Conduct**, and (3) **Resisting Arrest**, when officers were dispatched to the parking lot of the Stop & Shop in Wyoming for a 9-1-1 report of a domestic disturbance in progress. Officers arrived and separated the involved parties. After investigating the dispute at the scene, officers attempted to place Mr. Dumsar under arrest, and he actively resisted. He was subsequently subdued with a Taser and placed in custody. He was returned to the station where he was processed, and subsequently arraigned before Justice of the Peace Joseph Scott. He was released on \$1,000 personal recognizance, and was served with a no-contact order barring him from having contact with the alleged victim.

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