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## Press Release

To: Area media outlets

From: Hampton Police Department

Re: Arrest of Justin Khiaosoth

The Hampton Police Announce the arrest of 18 year old Justin Khiaosoth from Lowell, MA on multiple charges including Receiving Stolen Property (Felony), Possession of a Controlled Drug (1 Felony/ 1 Misdemeanor), Possession of Drugs in a Vehicle (Misdemeanor), Criminal Mischief (Felony), Transportation of Alcoholic Beverages (Violation) by a Minor, and Endangering the Welfare of a Child (Misdemeanor).

On Tuesday February 28<sup>th</sup> Police conducted a motor vehicle stop on a Jeep Liberty after observing the vehicle operating erratically and nearly sideswiping a Police Vehicle on Ashworth Ave. Mr. Khiaosoth was the driver of the vehicle, along with 4 passengers, which was listed as stolen out of Massachusetts. Mr. Khiaosoth was taken into custody for Theft of a Motor Vehicle.

During the investigation Officers discovered Marijuana and Cocaine in Mr. Khiaosoth's possession resulting in 2 charges of Possession of a Controlled Drug. The Criminal Mischief charge is for damage to the vehicle which made the vehicle inoperable. Mr. Khiaosoth was also charged with Transportation of an Alcoholic Beverage by a Minor as well as Endangering the Welfare of a Child for having three juveniles in the vehicle at the time of the motor vehicle stop.

The three juveniles were taken into Protective Custody. The other adult in the vehicle, Bridget Judkins, 18 years of age from Lowell, MA, was taken into custody for Possession of a Controlled Drug (Misdemeanor) as well as Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Khiaosoth is currently being held on \$20,000 cash bail and is scheduled for a Probable Cause hearing on March 7<sup>th</sup> at the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court in Seabrook,

Anyone with information on incidents occurring in the Town of Hampton is urged to contact the Hampton Police Department at 603-929-4444. Anonymous tips can be made through the Crimeline for the Hamptons at <https://www.tipsubmit.com> and selecting **Hamptons** as the region or by texting to the word CRIMES (274637) with the keyword **Hamptons**.

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