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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## **Suspects Charged with Shooting at Homeowner**

**Gurnee** – On June 25, 2020, Gurnee officers responded to the 900 block of Ralph Avenue in Gurnee regarding two subjects conducting motor vehicle burglaries. The 911 caller further stated the subjects fired two rounds toward the homeowner.

The incident began shortly after midnight on June 25, 2020, when the homeowner was alerted by the Ring doorbell system regarding activity happening in the driveway. They looked outside and witnessed two individuals going through the interior of an unlocked vehicle parked in the driveway. The homeowner opened the front door and yelled for the offenders to leave the property. While the offenders were running away from the area, they shot two rounds toward the homeowner. Two bullet holes were located on the exterior of the residence, and no one was injured during the incident. The offenders left the area prior to police arrival.

The homeowner assisted investigators by retrieving the Ring video, which captured the entire incident. Both offenders were wearing face masks, and one is depicted wearing a black Champion sweatshirt and gray sweatpants. They ran from the immediate area, and surrounding video surveillance cameras did not indicate a vehicle was used during the offense.

In recent weeks, Gurnee residents have reported several vehicles being burglarized during the overnight hours. Images of the suspects were captured on doorbell cameras and other surveillance videos, indicating one subject wearing a black Champion sweatshirt and gray sweatpants. Detectives developed suspects in these cases and obtained arrest warrants for those individuals.

Following the shooting that occurred on June 25, 2020, detectives soon realized the offenders resembled the suspects from other motor vehicle burglary cases in Gurnee and crafted a plan to take both subjects into custody. On June 27, 2020, Ian F Matus, 18, of Gurnee, was taken into custody by Gurnee officers without incident. Matus was charged with Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm (Class 1 felony) and Burglary (Class 3 felony).

Maseo B Rosser, 19, of Zion turned himself in to authorities on June 27, 2020. Rosser was charged with Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm (Class 1 felony), Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Felon (Class 3 felony), and Burglary (Class 3 felony).

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Both subjects remain in custody at the Lake County Jail.

Suspects accused of a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.