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NEWS RELEASE

Auto Thief Arrested after a Pursuit

07/30/2024

Date: 07-29-204 **Time:** 09:21 am **Location:** 11100 block of Ilan Ramon Pl

Arrested: 19-year-old Andrew Gabriel Hernandez, Northeast El Paso, Texas,

resident.

Charge #1: Theft of Property >=\$2,500<\$30K (Theft of Vehicle)

Judge: Aun **Bond:** \$10,000

Charge #2: Evading Arrest or Detention with Vehicle

Judge: Aun **Bond:** \$25,000

Victim: 38-year-old Female Northeast El Paso, Texas resident.

Vehicle: 2016 Toyota Camry

El Paso, Texas— El Paso Police arrest an auto thief with the assistance of The Department of Public Safety. The investigation from auto theft investigators revealed the victim had just arrived at a residence on the 11100 block of Ilan Ramon Pl and parked in the driveway. The victim left her keys in the vehicle and the driver's door open as she walked towards her front door. Hernandez then entered the vehicle and drove away. The victim flagged down a passing motorist who turned out to be an undercover police officer. The officer relayed the information over the police radio. Officers attempted a traffic stop at Fairbanks and McCombs once he was spotted; however, Hernandez fled from the officers in the vehicle.

Officers requested air support assistance from The Department of Public Safety. After a short pursuit, Hernandez lost control of the vehicle on Loop 375 and crashed into the center median, which caused the vehicle to come to a stop. Hernandez was apprehended without incident. He was booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility with the above-listed bonds.

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