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PRESS RELEASE

Date: May 18, 2019

Case Number: 19ES02537

Narrative:

On May 18, 2019 at approximately 6:43pm the Essex Police Department received multiple complaints involving a full size white Dodge pickup truck driving recklessly by “blowing donuts” and causing damage to grass located on the Essex High School property. The same truck then continued to the Tree Farm located off from Old Colchester Road where the truck continued to cause extensive damage on and around the soccer fields. An Essex officer located the truck leaving the Tree Farm and attempted to initiate a motor vehicle stop, but the driver attempted to elude and the truck sped away. The truck was followed to an apartment parking garage located within the apartment complex located at Autumn Pond Way in Essex Junction.

The initiating officer conducted a high risk motor vehicle stop and attempted to communicate with the operator from outside the parking garage. The male exited his vehicle with his dog and ignored the officer’s instructions. When additional Essex officers arrived to assist, contact was made with the male operator who initially refused to identify himself and refused to follow lawful orders. While officers were taking the male into custody, he resisted arrested and after a brief struggle, the male was placed in restraints and transported to the Essex Police Department to be processed. The male was identified as 29 year old [REDACTED] of Essex Junction.

[REDACTED] was issued a criminal citation to appear at Chittenden County Superior Court – Criminal Division for June 6, 2019 to answer to the offenses of Unlawful Trespass, Unlawful Mischief, Attempting to Elude, Grossly Negligent Operation and DUI-refusal. The investigation is still ongoing.

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