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## PRESS RELEASE – September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013:

1. **Misdemeanor – DUI (BAC > .15):** On September 5, 2013, at approximately 5:45 PM, Corporal William Litterio arrested **Joseph M. Maggs**, age 38, of 215 Shannock Village Road, Richmond, on a charge of *Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and/ or Drugs (1st Offense – BAC greater than .15)*, after his vehicle was stopped for speeding at 61-MPH in a posted 45-MPH-zone on Kingstown Road. Mr. Maggs arrested on suspicion of DUI after performing a series of Standard Field Sobriety Tests. Mr. Maggs' 12-year-old child passenger was collected at the scene by a family friend, and the RI Department of Children, Youth, and Families was notified as to the above circumstances. Mr. Maggs submitted to a Breathalyzer test that resulted in BAC (blood-alcohol-content) readings of **.161 (1<sup>st</sup> phase)**, and **.160 (2<sup>nd</sup> phase)**. Mr. Maggs was processed and later released with a summons to appear for arraignment in 4<sup>th</sup> District Court on the above charge.
2. **Misdemeanor – Obstruction, Disorderly, and Ordinance Violation:** On Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013, at approximately 2:30 PM, Sergeant Michael Lawing and Lieutenant John Arnold arrested **Timothy L. Thomas**, age 42, of 3151 Ewald Circle, Detroit, Michigan, on charges of (1) **Obstructing a Police Officer in Execution of Duty**, (2) **Disorderly Conduct**, and (3) **Selling Door-to-Door without a License (Town of Richmond Ordinance)**. Several residents called to voice concerns about strangers going door-to-door attempting to solicit purchases of a liquid soap called "Advanage." One neighbor reported that Mr. Thomas had gone around to the back of a home when no one came to the front door. Officers warned Mr. Thomas that he did not have the requisite Town license to conduct such sales, and directed him to stop. Moments later, Mr. Thomas resumed the activity along Shannock Hill Road, and attempted to solicit sales door-to-door. When officers approached him a second time, Mr. Thomas refused to cooperate and shouted profanities at the officers, claiming that his company had a "permit." Officers arrested Mr. Thomas, who reportedly said that his company had "deep pockets" to bail him out and taunted that he would be back out "selling soap" in Richmond again in "two hours." Mr. Thomas was processed at the station, and was arraigned before Justice-of-the-Peace Joseph Scott on the above charges. Mr. Thomas was unable to post the requisite \$5,000 surety bail (\$500 cash), so he was transported to the Intake Service Center at the ACI where he was held during the weekend pending a court appearance on Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.

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