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MEDIA RELEASE

On Friday April 15th at 7:49 p.m. the Racine County Communications Center received a 911 call from a complainant who was reporting a vehicle passed him at approximately 100 mph and crashed on STH 83/Pine St. north of Schaal Rd. in the Town of Burlington. Concerned citizens stopped to help the operator of the crashed vehicle which severely damaged and came to rest upside down. The operator of the crashed vehicle exited his vehicle and fled on foot when he heard emergency vehicles coming.

Racine Sheriff K-9's Nitro and Friday responded to the scene with their handlers. The K-9's along with Sheriff's Deputies using thermal night vision, tracked the suspect for over ¼ mile through fields and wooded areas. The operator was located and taken into custody. The suspect, a 23 year old male from Kenosha, was not seriously injured in the crash. He is being held in the Racine County Jail on numerous traffic charges including OWI 2nd offense, no driver's license, drug related charges, and the Department of Corrections has placed a hold on the suspect for violating his conditions of probation.

Racine County Deputies received assistance from the Town of Burlington Fire Department who helped with traffic control at the crash scene and provided an off road utility vehicle to aid in the search for the suspect.

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By Sgt. Scott Litwin

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