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MEDIA RELEASE

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On May 5th, at approximately 8:27 am, agents from the Racine County Metro Drug Unit served a search warrant in the 900 block of Wisconsin Avenue, City of Racine.

As Metro agents were making a forced entry into the front door of the residence, the suspect, Thomas J. Brucker, age 24, ran out the back door where Racine County Sheriff's deputy and K9 partner "Friday" were positioned. The suspect was ordered to stop by the Sheriff's deputy but Brucker refused and kept running.

K-9 "Friday" was called upon to assist in the apprehension and arrest of Thomas Brucker. Brucker was treated at All Saints Hospital for dog bite wounds to his arm and then taken to the Racine County jail.

Stephanie M. Darge, age 31 was located inside the residence and was also arrested and taken to the Racine County Jail.

Heroin, a digital scale, drug packaging material and a large amount of drug paraphernalia were seized during the search. Both Brucker and Darge placed into the Racine County Jail on the following charges:

**Possession of heroin with intent to deliver
Possession of drug paraphernalia
Keeper of a drug house for sales**

Mr. Brucker also faces one charge of delivering heroin.

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