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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Woman Carjacked by Man; Man is in Critical Condition after Crashing Carjacked Vehicle**

On March 4, 2022, at approximately 1:00 a.m., Lake County Sheriff's Deputies responded to Route 60 and Route 120, Volo, for what was originally reported as a street sign that had been knocked down and was in the roadway. A deputy responded and located an entire traffic light pole on the ground and found a Chrysler PT Cruiser approximately 1,000 feet off the roadway, north of the intersection. The Chrysler had major damage and was unoccupied. The deputy checked the area and found the driver, a 20-year-old man of Kenosha, Wisconsin, on the ground, unconscious.

Shortly after arriving on the scene of the crash, a 48-year-old woman of Round Lake Beach, reported she had just been carjacked in the area of Route 60 and Erhart Road in unincorporated Mundelein. Her Chrysler PT Cruiser was taken during the carjacking.

Further investigation revealed the 48-year-old woman pulled over to assist who she thought was a stranded motorist. When she pulled over, an offender forcefully pulled her out of her vehicle and fled in her Chrysler. The Chrysler totaled in the Volo crash was determined to be the victim's vehicle. Further, the unconscious ejected driver matched the description of the man who carjacked the victim.

The crash investigation revealed the driver of the stolen Chrysler was traveling northwest on Route 60 at a high rate of speed. As he approached Route 120, he failed to negotiate the curve in the roadway and lost control. The Chrysler struck the traffic standard and rolled several times, ejecting the driver.

The driver/carjacking offender was transported to Advocate Condell Medical Center in extremely critical condition.

The crash remains under investigation by the Lake County Sheriff's Office Technical Crash Investigations Unit. Charges against the driver/carjacking offender are pending.

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