February 2023 Press Release:

2/1- Officers responded to the Shoprite for the theft of a purse. The victim was distracted by a Hispanic male wearing a white jacket, dark hair, in his late 30s; while a white female, in her late 30s wearing a black jacket, reached into the victim's purse and removed her hand wallet. The two suspects quickly left the store and got into a white-colored SUV, possibly a Chevy Traverse, no tag was visible, left towards Rt. 130.

2/8- Officers responded to Ray Bets Liquors for a shoplifting. A black male, approximately 6 foot in his mid-30s, concealed a bottle of Patron and fled the store in an unknown vehicle with Pennsylvania Registration.

2/12- Officers responded to the Conoco Gas Station for a theft of gas. A black male, wearing a face covering, in a BMW bearing PA Registration LWC9165 received \$40 worth of gas and fled once the gas attendant removed the nozzle. The vehicle was last seen traveling towards Westville.

2/15- Officers responded to the Wawa for a shoplifting. A white male in his 30s, wearing a gray hoodie, and a white female, wearing a black hoodie with long black hair, stole approximately \$60.00 worth of items. The two got into a silver Honda Accord bearing NJ Registration E29PGU and fled the store towards Rt. 130.

2/16- Officers responded to the Conoco Gas Station for a theft of gas. The attendant stated a middleaged white male with long hair received \$33.00 worth of gas then fled the store. The attendant provided the officer with a NJ Registration which came back to a Brooklawn address. After making contact with the resident, he stated that he was not at the Conoco today. They both walked to the vehicle and observed the front license plate missing. A report of the stolen tag was taken and the stolen tag was entered into NCIC.

2/19- Officers responded to the Shoprite for a shoplifting. A white male in his mid-30s with a beard, wearing a backward hat, and a yellow vest, left the store without paying for \$15.00 worth of food. The employee told the officers that this male has shoplifted previously there, the last time eating his food inside the vehicle. The male walks in the store with an empty bag and walks out after placing the products in the bag. After obtaining the NJ registration through video surveillance, officers sent Franklinville PD out to the registered owner's address and confirmed that he was the driver. On 2/27 John Davis Kasten, 32, of Franklinville turned himself in to Brooklawn Police and he was processed for the charge that was mailed to his residence.

2/18- Eliseo Mercado, 35, of Camden was stopped for a motor vehicle violation in the area of Rt. 130 South. Through further investigation the driver was found to be operating the motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol and/or narcotics. He was placed under arrest and transported back to police headquarters where he refused to submit to breath samples. Mercado was charged with Driving Under the Influence and Refusal to take breath samples. He was issued other motor vehicle summonses as well. Mercado also had an active warrant for his arrest from a previous DWI. He was remanded to the Camden County Jail.

2/18- Officers responded to the T-Mobile for a dark-skinned male, in a blue surgical mask, blue jeans, a blue vest, multi-colored hair, and red sneakers, who was walking around the store cutting the cables

from the display phones. The male fled on foot towards the Dunkin' Donuts. A search of the area provided negative results.

2/18- Officers responded to the Rite Aid for a shoplifting. The loss prevention officer there was reviewing surveillance footage and observed the offense. A black male, wearing a white and red jacket, blue jeans with his hood up, and white sneakers, concealed items in his coat totaling \$65.00. He then exited the store an got into what appeared to be a dark-colored Chevy Cobalt.

2/25- During the course of an investigation for a fight at the Empire Sports Bar. A white male began walking into Rt. 130 and banging on car windows that were stopped at the traffic light. The male refused to listen to police commands and was taken to the ground and placed under arrest. Tyler Joseph Sees, 25, of Gloucester City was charged with Aggravated Assault against a LEO, Obstruction, Resisting Arrest, and Disorderly Conduct. He was remanded to the Camden County Jail.

2/28- Officers responded to the Dollar Tree for a shoplifting. When the officer arrived on scene, the employee stated that the suspect was the same one that has been shoplifting the last few days in the same clothing description. The officer observed a male matching that description walking his dog in the Rodeway parking lot. The officer made contact with the male and after placing the dog back into the room, he was placed under arrest. Joseph Garwood Larzelere, 41, of Franklinville was charged with (3) three counts of Shoplifting ((2) two from Dollar Tree and (1) one from Rite Aid) and also found to have an active warrant for his arrest. Larzelere was remanded to the Camden County Jail.

Warrant Arrests:

George Samuel Elmore, 41, of Brooklawn Nathaniel Todd Campbell, 26, of Camden