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NEWS RELEASE

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Juvenile Charged in Downtown Property Damages

Officers with the Owensboro Police Department responded to multiple reports of property damage in the downtown area of Veterans Boulevard in the morning hours of September 30, 2023.

Reports were taken of criminal mischief at the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) at 311 West Veterans Boulevard of a damaged flower pot, a damaged/broken statue, and a broken car window. Additional reports were taken at the Bell House at 124 East Veterans Boulevard. There, a window was broken out, entry was made to the building, and a credit card and City of Owensboro pick-up truck was stolen.

Officers took photographs of the crime scenes, collected evidence and video surveillance, and put out an observation for the stolen vehicle.

On October 1, 2023, Officers with the Owensboro Police Department observed the reported stolen vehicle and initiated a traffic stop. Officers took the 16-year-old male juvenile suspect into custody, charged him with the following charges, and released him to a guardian:

- Theft of Auto \$10,000 less than \$1,000,000
- Burglary 3rd Degree

Officers' investigation led them to discover several surveillance videos of the downtown area, which assisted in confirming the same suspect was involved in all incidents. On October 3, 2023, the juvenile was subsequently charged with the following:

- Criminal Mischief 1st Degree

Anyone with additional information can call OPD at 270-687-8888, or leave an anonymous tip with Crime Stoppers at 270-687-8484.