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PRESS RELEASE

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Deputies Arrest Suspect After Pursuit and Manhunt in Ladson

(Ladson, SC) This morning, shortly before 10 am, deputies attempted to stop a silver Mitsubishi after the driver failed to use his turn signal. The driver of the vehicle, later identified as Randy Taylor, refused to stop and accelerated his speeds as he drove away from the initiating deputy. The deputy saw a female passenger frantically waving her arm out of the passenger window. Deputies pursued the vehicle until the driver stopped on William Aiken Avenue and ran away. Charleston County Air Support and K-9 units as well as Dorchester County Sheriff's Office K-9 units were called to assist in the search. After approximately 2 hours, the active search was cancelled. The female passenger was not injured, was not charged and was released.

Just after 3 p.m., deputies received a call from a concerned citizen stating the suspect was on College Park Road. An off duty Charleston County deputy was in the area and located a person matching Taylor's description. Taylor once again ran away. The deputy was able to apprehend him with the assistance of another concerned citizen who saw the deputy and Taylor struggling.

Taylor, 35, was not injured and was transported to the Sheriff Al Cannon Detention Center where he was charged with Driving Under Suspension 2nd Offense, Reckless Driving, and Failure to Stop for Blue Lights and Siren.

Sheriff Cannon would like to extend his gratitude to the citizens who assisted by calling in tips and to the concerned citizen who assisted the deputy as Taylor was resisting arrest.

Taylor will have a bond hearing tomorrow morning at 10 a.m.

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