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## **Dozens of Cars Vandalized/Damaged in Paulding County**

(Paulding County, GA) In the overnight hours of Tuesday March 7, 2017 into the early morning hours of Wednesday March 8, 2017 over 70 vehicles were damaged by rocks and baseball bats in various locations within Paulding County. These incidents appear to have been sporadic in nature and not concentrated to one specific area of the county. From what Detectives have been able to uncover, the suspects aimlessly drove around the county throwing rocks at vehicles that were parked near or on the sides of streets in many subdivisions and on county roads. In some instances, the suspects actually stopped their vehicle and got out smashing car windows with a baseball bat. We also discovered that they damaged many mailboxes and even drove over trash cans in some neighborhoods.

In one instance, they even threw a rock at one of our marked patrol cars while it was parked at the home of the Deputy. Through relentless Detective work, Detectives were able to arrest all of the individuals involved in the crime spree. These individuals will be charged with every single incident they participated in. The following individuals were arrested last night without incident:

#### Kevin Patrick Miceli W/M, 18 YOA of Dallas, GA

-Criminal Damage to Property (Second Degree) –Multiple Counts

#### Tristan Keith W/M, 18 YOA of Hiram, GA

-Criminal Damage to Property (Second Degree) -Multiple Counts

#### Juvenile W/M, 16 YOA of Dallas, GA

-Criminal Damage to Property (Second Degree) –Multiple Counts

Sheriff Gary Gulledge stated, "I credit the quick arrest of these vandals to our dedicated Deputies and Detectives. I also want to commend our citizens for being

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vigilant and sharing home surveillance footage with Detectives. Without the home surveillance footage and the Deputies and Detectives relentless desire to solve these crimes, we would not have made an arrest so quickly in this case."

As the investigation continues, the aforementioned suspects will be charged with additional crimes as well as numerous counts of each crime. Since we still have victims coming forward, we do not have an exact count of how many victims there actually are. We do know that there are over 70 victims at this time. If you have any additional information, or believe you may have been a victimized, please call Detectives with the Criminal Investigations Division of the Paulding County Sheriff's Office at (770) 443-3015.

