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### For Immediate Release

**Date: February 15, 2017**

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On February 14, 2016, at approximately 6:33 P.M., Officers arrested James Burke, 35 years old, of Pepperell, Massachusetts. James Burke was charged with DWI, Conduct After an Accident, Reckless Operation, Criminal Mischief, Criminal Threatening and Reckless Conduct, stemming from a road rage incident which transpired on the Circumferential Highway and Lowell Road in Hudson.



The series of offenses commenced on the Circumferential Highway in Hudson as James Burke exited his vehicle at the intersection of Lowell Road, and approached a vehicle operated by a 21 year old male from Hudson. Also within the vehicle was his girlfriend, 20 year old female from Hudson, and their five month old child. James Burke is alleged to have punched the window to the victim's vehicle, kicked the driver door before returning to his vehicle after the victim attempted to flee the area.

James Burke then followed the victim south on Lowell Road, operating in an erratic manner, passing the victim, pulling in front of them and then stopping abruptly. The incident continued south where James Burke crashed his vehicle into the victim's vehicle and then fled the scene, travelling northbound on Lowell Road. Upon reaching the intersection of Lowell Road and Wason Road, James Burke crashed his vehicle into another car stopped at the intersection.

James Burke was subsequently taken into custody, transported to the Hudson Police Department where he was booked and processed. Bail was set in the amount of \$500.00 cash bail, and he was released with an arraignment date of February 23, 2017, at the Ninth Circuit Court in Nashua.