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INCIDENT TYPE – ARMED ROBBERY (ARREST)

HIGH POINT, NC – On Tuesday, April 16, 2019, at approximately 8:30 am High Point Police Officers responded to a “holdup” alarm coming from a business located at 2114 South Main Street (Ace Cash Express). An officer arrived on scene moments after the call was dispatched and observed a black male suspect running around the outside of the building to the back of the business. The suspect got into silver in color sedan parked on a nearby street and attempted to flee from officers. High Point Police Officers initiated a vehicle pursuit and were assisted by Deputies from the Guilford County Sheriff’s Office.

Once in the area of Riverdale Rd and Business 85, the driver (suspect) and only occupant of the vehicle abandoned the vehicle and attempted to flee on foot before being apprehended by officers. **Joseph T Brown B/M 32 of Winston-Salem** was arrested without incident by officers and deputies and transported to the High Point Police Department.



Brown (Booking Photo)



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After speaking to parties involved officers learned that the victims of the robbery were two females outside of the actual business (employees), during the robbery an employee activated the alarm due to the suspect being armed with a gun. The victim was robbed of a cell phone and did not suffer any physical injuries during the incident. During the arrest of **Brown** officers located and recovered the firearm used as well as the victim's cell phone.

Brown was arrested and charged with Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon, Felony Flee to Elude Arrest, Second Degree Kidnapping, Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon and Felony Breaking and Entering. **Brown** will be transported to the magistrate's office where conditions of release and court information will be determined.

The High Point Police Department remains diligent in identifying those persons involved in criminal activity in High Point and holding them and their associates responsible for their actions. Anyone with information related to this investigation is asked to contact Crimestoppers of High Point at 336-889-4000.

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