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(FHP) Bureau of Criminal Investigations and Intelligence (BCII), was notified by FHP BCII Sergeant Jeff Rongish of a possible shooting incident in Sarasota County on northbound I-75 near the 186.5 mile marker. I arrived on scene around 12:00 p.m. and observed a black four door Kia vehicle parked on the inside paved emergency lane near the 186.5 mile marker with Florida license plate number, JHJI44. I noticed a female occupant with the Kia vehicle and a small hole was visible near the bottom passenger side corner of the front windshield. The hole appeared to have occurred from inside the vehicle due to the glass pattern. I made contact with the passenger, identified as Shannon Powenski, DOB:12/21/1986, by her Florida driver license.

At 12:09 p.m., Mrs. Powenski agreed to provide a recorded, sworn statement. During the statement, Mrs. Powenski stated she was passenger in the vehicle and her husband, Joshua Powenski, was driving. Mrs. Powenski explained that while traveling north on I-75, an unknown white Ford F150 truck with a beige bottom portion, was attempting to force her vehicle into the paved emergency lane. Mrs. Powenski continued that she felt her life was in danger and Mr. Powenski ultimately fired his Springfield 911 firearm though the windshield, at the Ford truck. After the weapon was discharged, Mrs. Powenski stated Mr. Powenski pulled over and called 911.

Shortly after completing the statement of Mrs. Powenski, I made contact with Mr. Powenski. At 12:52 p.m., Mr. Powenski agreed to provide a recorded, sworn statement. At the time of the statement, FHP BCII Trooper Robert Ellis was present. During the statement, Mr. Powenski explained he was driving his Kia vehicle north on I-75 and initially overtook the white Ford truck near the 185 mile marker. Shortly after overtaking the Ford truck, Mr. Powenski stated the driver of the Ford truck attempted to run his vehicle off into the west paved shoulder. Mr. Powenski indicated he attempted to slow down and speed up multiple times to avoid contact, although the Ford truck continued to match his speed and forced Mr. Powenski into the paved shoulder. Mr. Powenski continued that the Ford truck was so close to his vehicle that the mirrors almost touched. Ultimately, Mr. Powenski stated he was in fear of his life and the life of Ms. Powenski, before stating that he fired his Springfield 911 firearm through his windshield in an attempt

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to disable the engine of the Ford truck. Mr. Powenski stated that after firing the firearm, he pulled to the emergency lane and contacted 9-1-1 to wait for assistance by law enforcement and to relay the license plate information of the Ford truck.

The Fort Myers Regional Communications Center (FMRCC) performed a check of the provided license plate information and was unable to locate a match using numerous configurations. The FMRCC also attempted to locate a subject by contacting the local hospitals within the area to discover if anyone was admitted for a gunshot wound. So far, neither the truck nor its occupant(s) have been located or identified.

At 1:38 p.m., I obtained a DNA buccal swab from the mouth of Mr. Powenski, in order to submit for DNA analysis to compare with the DNA to be developed from the Springfield 911 firearm.

At 1:41 p.m., I placed Mr. Powenski under arrest for discharging a firearm in public. Mr. Powenski violated Florida State Statue 790.15 (2), when he knowingly and willfully discharged a firearm from his vehicle within 1,000 feet of any person. Mr. Powenski was transported to the Sarasota County Jail by FHP Trooper Jeffery Cantwell.

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