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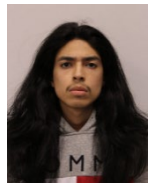
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**NEWS RELEASE**

**Mount Prospect Police Department Arrest One Adult and One Juvenile for Unlawful Use of a Weapon**



*Eduardo Hernandez*

On February 2, 2023, the Mount Prospect Police Department arrested and charged Eduardo Hernandez, 19 years old, of 7500 Elmhurst Road, Des Plaines, Illinois, with two misdemeanor counts of Unlawful Use of a Weapon. A 17 year old juvenile was also charged in the same incident with two felony counts of Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon. These charges stem from a traffic stop conducted by an officer after observing traffic violations near the intersection of Oakton Street and Badger Drive, Mount Prospect.

On February 1, 2023 at approximately 11:49 PM, a Mount Prospect Police Officer performed a traffic stop on a vehicle after observing multiple traffic violations and spoke to the driver, Eduardo Hernandez, and his 17 year old juvenile passenger. While speaking with Hernandez, the officer observed various items of drug paraphernalia inside the vehicle. Hernandez and the juvenile exited the vehicle for officers to conduct a search of the vehicle. Upon searching the juvenile’s purse, officers located two handguns and two magazines with multiple rounds of ammunition.

During the investigation, Hernandez claimed the handguns were his, even though they were in the possession of the juvenile.



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The juvenile was charged with two felony counts of Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon and transported to the Cook County Juvenile Detention Center in Chicago.

Hernandez was charged with two Class A Misdemeanor charges of Unlawful Use of a Weapon. Hernandez was taken to a bond hearing where his bond was set at \$2,500 "D". Hernandez' next court date is March 7, 2023 at the Cook County 3<sup>rd</sup> District Courthouse in Rolling Meadows in room 101 at 9:00 AM.

The public is reminded that criminal charges are not evidence of guilt and that all defendants in a criminal case are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law.

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