**PRESS RELEASE**

**Excelsior Springs Police Department**

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Ref: Traffic Stop

On 06‐27‐2016 at about 3:23 AM, an officer of the Excelsior Springs Police Department conducted a

traffic stop of a vehicle on St. Louis Avenue near Sycamore Street. The vehicle was stopped after officers

heard someone yelling loudly from within the vehicle, and the vehicle had an inoperable license plate

light. The driver and three passenger occupants were contacted, at which time the officer detected an

odor of alcohol coming from within the vehicle. The passengers all stated they had consumed alcohol at

a party in Ray County prior to being picked up by the driver. As a result, the driver was asked to exit the

vehicle and perform a series of field sobriety tests. The driver exhibited no signs of impairment. The

driver further submitted to a portable breath test, which showed less than half of the .02 BAC required

by Missouri state statutes for minor in possession. A vehicle search was conducted and no alcohol or

alcoholic beverage containers were located.

With no legal justification to further detain the driver, he and the other occupants were released from

the vehicle stop at about 3:46 AM.

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