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## MEDIA RELEASE 5th Offense OWI Arrest

For Immediate Release

Date: 10/21/2022 Case: SO2253052 Captain Mark Thompson (608) 757-7944

On October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 at approximately 11:59 pm, a Rock County Sheriff's Office Deputy conducted a traffic stop on a green Chevrolet Tahoe SUV in the area of S Highway 51 near W Happy Hollow Rd in Rock Township, WI, due to a traffic violation. Upon making contact with the driver, Sanford L. Nickles, 38, of Janesville, WI, Nickles displayed signs of intoxication. Standardized Field Sobriety Tests were administered and following the investigation Nickles was arrested for Operating While Intoxicated. A WI DOT records check of Nickles showed four prior OWI convictions, making this Nickles' 5th Offense, which is a Felony.

Nickles was transported to the Rock County Jail and will be held for Jail Court.

"Pursuant to the directive of the Wisconsin Supreme Court, as found in Supreme Court Rule 20:3.6, <u>Trial Publicity</u>, you are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty."

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