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## Fulton County Sheriff's Office F.A.S.T. Arrests Reckless Driver After Pursuit

Atlanta, GA – The Fulton County Sheriff's Office Fugitive Apprehension Support Team (F.A.S.T.) has arrested Jimmy Kendal Smith, age 27, of Chicago, and charged him several misdemeanors and a felony to include battery-family violence, criminal trespass and damage to property, reckless driving, driving-fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer, willful obstruction of law enforcement officers, and three counts of driving-hit and run. Smith is currently in the Fulton County Jail.

On June 28, 2024, while travelling on I-75 southbound in Atlanta, FCSO Investigator J. Moore, assigned to F.A.S.T., saw a Toyota Camry making erratic lane changes and driving recklessly. Inv. Moore attempted to stop the car, at which time the driver hit other cars in an attempt to get away. The vehicle was pursued until a successful PIT maneuver was performed on Capitol Avenue near the Georgia State Capitol.

Georgia Department of Public Safety Capitol Police assisted by pinning the suspect's car once it came to a stop.

"I cannot say enough how proud I am of our team. They have proven to be in the right place at the right time, time and time again," says Sheriff Patrick "Pat" Labat. "This reckless driver was putting lives in jeopardy and thanks to the quick actions of Inv. Moore, he was taken into custody without anyone being hurt. The FCSO law enforcement units on the streets of Fulton County serve as a force-multiplier to municipal law enforcement, keeping the citizens safe."

**ABOUT THE FULTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**: The mission of the Fulton County Sheriff's Office is Service; through laser-focused efforts to protect the citizens of Fulton County with coordinated law enforcement operations, special strategic teams, and community outreach methods. The Sheriff's Office is constitutionally responsible for the security of all courtrooms, executing arrest warrants, and serving civil papers. In addition, the Sheriff's Office is responsible for the administration and operation of the Fulton County Jail.