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Case No. 15-6689

On April 29, 2015 at approximately 03:02 a.m., a Portage Public Safety officer attempted to stop a vehicle for a traffic violation as it pulled into Milham Meadows Apartments at Oakland Drive and Milham Avenue. The driver disregarded the officer and continued to drive through the apartments. The Portage Communications Center advised that the registered owner had a warrant for their arrest. The vehicle fled and drove northbound on Oakland Drive at a high rate of speed. Another Portage Public Safety officer was at the intersection of Oakland Drive and Kilgore Road and was able to successfully flatten one of the vehicle tires with a tire deflation device. The vehicle continued northbound on Oakland Drive at a slow speed.

An officer from the Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety was at Oakland Drive and Howard and was able to flatten the remaining tires. The suspect continued fleeing on the flattened tires and eventually surrendered without incident at Church and Frank Street. The male driver, a 28-year-old Kalamazoo resident, was arrested for fleeing and eluding and a warrant. The female passenger and registered owner, a 20-year-old Portage resident, was arrested on a warrant.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Portage Department of Public Safety at 329-4567 or Silent Observer at 343-2100, www.kalamazoosilentobserver.com.

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