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PRESS RELEASE – UPD CASE # 21-1136

Date: June 25, 2021

Location: 1170 S. State St., Ukiah

Suspect: Antoinette M. Florez (36-year-old female of Fresno)

Victim: 55-year-old female of Sacramento

Violations:

530.5(a) PC:	Identity Theft (Felony)
3455 (a) PC:	Violation of Post Release Community Supervision (Felony)
1203.2(a) PC:	Warrant for Violation of Probation (Felony)

On June 25, 2021 at approximately 7:20 PM, a representative of Redwood Ford contacted UPD regarding a possible identity theft. The Redwood Ford employee advised a UPD Officer that a female subject, later identified as Antoinette Florez, entered Redwood Ford to purchase a vehicle. Florez provided the employee with a California Driver's License. The employee didn't believe Florez was the person pictured on the California Driver's License and became suspicious. Florez placed a cash deposit on a vehicle using the California Driver's License she had provided, and planned to take possession of the vehicle the next day. The employee provided UPD with a picture of the vehicle that Florez had arrived in at the dealership.

A short while later, UPD Officers were on patrol and spotted the vehicle parked at Lalo's Mexican Food. UPD Officers approached the vehicle and contacted Florez. While speaking with Florez, UPD Officers learned she had an active felony warrant for her arrest in Fresno County, for 1203.2(a) PC. UPD Officers additionally were advised Florez was on Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) for false personation of another (529 PC). A term of her PRCS was to obey all laws.

When asked about the incident at Redwood Ford, Florez informed Officer's that she entered Redwood Ford with the intent to purchase a vehicle using someone else's identity. A search of Florez and her possessions, per her PRCS terms, resulted in UPD Officers locating multiple California Identification Cards and California Driver's



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Licenses that did not belong to Florez. Additionally, UPD Officers located over a dozen credit/debit cards that also did not belong to Florez. Florez was taken into custody without further incident.

Florez was booked at the MCSO Jail on the above-mentioned violations and her bail was set at Zero bail, per the COVID bail schedule.

As always, our mission at UPD is simple: to make Ukiah as safe a place as possible. If you would like to know more about crime in your neighborhood, you can sign up for telephone, cellphone and email notifications by clicking the Nixle button on our website; www.ukiahpolice.com.

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