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Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Felon

On March 5, 2022 at approximately 1958 hours, Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputies stopped a vehicle at 12th Ave. and 7th Street, Rockford, for a traffic violation. During the stop, the driver exited the vehicle and fled on foot. During a foot pursuit the suspect discharged a firearm. The suspect discarded the firearm and was taken into custody a brief time later. The firearm was recovered and modified to make it a fully automatic. No one was injured during this incident.

Arrested was **Carlos Escobar-Alzamora**, 26, of Belvidere.

The Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office reviewed the facts of this case and authorized the following charges:

Escobar-Alzamora was charged with the following:

- Possession of Firearm No FOID
- Possession of Ammunition No FOID
- Aggravated Assault/Discharge of Firearm
- Felon Possession/Use Machine Gun
- Possession of Machine Gun/ Auto Weapon
- Felon Possession/Use Firearm
- Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon
- 2 counts of Resisting/Obstructing a Peace Officer

The charges against **Escobar-Alzamora** are merely allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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