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**** Media Advisory ****

Underage Drinking Sting Operation Nets Several Arrests

On Saturday, April 17, 2010, Wichita Police officers and agents from the Kansas Alcohol Beverage Control conducted a city wide compliance check of liquor stores and convenience stores in Wichita. The purpose of these checks was to determine whether the stores would sell alcohol to minors.

Throughout the seven hour assignment which began at 6:30 p.m., and was made possible by an Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws grant through the Kansas Department of Transportation, officers, ABC agents and citizens between the ages of 18 and 19 ½ performed license compliance checks at sixty-four businesses within the city. Of those merchants, a total of 12 sold alcohol to the underage undercover citizens.

During the assignment, an officer spotted a person drinking a beer in the front seat of a vehicle. That person was contacted and upon further investigation he also was found to be in possession of marijuana. The suspect was cited for transporting an open container and for possession of marijuana.

In another incident that occurred during the operation, another team of officers witnessed an adult go into a liquor store with two minors. The adult then purchased alcohol for the minors. That adult and the two minors were cited for liquor law violations and alcohol was seized.

As a result of the operation WPD officers issued citations in 14 incidents and arrested 16 people for alcohol-related violations. During the assignment, officers seized more than 150 containers of alcohol and a small amount of marijuana. Officers also issued one traffic citation.

The following businesses were cited for liquor law violations:

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Phillips 66, 7101 E. Lincoln
A & A Liquor Store, 1935 N. Broadway
J&D Wine and Spirits 1337 N. Ridge Road
Pete's Liquor, 322 W. Harry
F & K Liquor, 902 S. Woodlawn
TJ's Liquor, 1332 W. MacArthur
The Liq, 2330 E. 21st
Anton's Vintage Wine & Spirits, 10330 W. Central
Aboud's Liquor, 955 S. Rock Road
Jacob Liquor Exchange, 3049 N. Rock Road
Burden Liquor, 2545 N. Hillside
KD Shop 10409, W. Maple

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