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MEDIA RELEASE

Prepared by: Lt. Schwartz		Date Prepared: 02/12/21
Type of Incident: Update - Shooting Arrest		
Date and Time of Incident: 1/15/21 at approximately 5:11 PM		
Location of Incident: 540 W. State Street		
Defendant(s): Michael L. Baez	Age: 19	Address: S. Plain St, Ithaca
Charge(s): Attempted Murder 2nd, Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2nd, Reckless Endangerment 1st, Tampering with Physical Evidence		

Updated Media Release

On February 12th 2021, at around 7:20 AM the Ithaca Police Department arrested Michael L. Baez on charges of Attempted Murder 2nd, Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2nd, Reckless Endangerment 1st, and Tampering with Physical Evidence. These charges are in relation to a shooting incident that occurred on 01/15/21 at about 5:11 PM at 540 W. State Street, where the defendant shot numerous rounds into a group of people which included a young child.

After an extensive investigation, IPD Investigators with assistance from the Tompkins County Sheriff's Office responded to a residence on Pond Drive in Freeville where they believed Baez to be. Baez was encouraged to exit the residence and surrender, which he eventually did without incident.

Baez was later arraigned by Ithaca City Court Judge Wallace, and remanded to the Tompkins County Jail on \$75,000 bail.

People arrested by the Ithaca Police Department are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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