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**ALERT RESIDENT'S OBSERVATIONS LEAD TO ARRESTS IN BREAKING AND ENTERING
MOTOR VEHICLE INCIDENTS IN THE HIGHLANDS**

At 4:08am this morning, officers from the Lowell Police Department responded to a call from a resident of the Highlands section of the city after observing two men attempting to break into vehicles parked on Foster St. As officers were searching the area, Sgt. Frank Nobrega located two men in the act of breaking into a vehicle parked on Livingston Ave. One of the subjects was inside the car with a flashlight while the other was acting as the 'lookout.' Both men were subsequently arrested and found to be in possession of items believed stolen from other vehicles in the area. Arrested were:

Michael Troy, age 18 and Riley Copeland, age 21 both of Lowell. Charges include:

Break and Entering a Motor Vehicle

Possession of Burglarious Tools

Receiving Stolen Property over \$250

Troy was additionally charged with **violating the City's Dangerous Weapons Ordinance** for being in possession of a prohibited knife.

Both subjects will be arraigned this morning in Lowell District Court.

The Lowell Police Department credits the resolution of this incident to the resident of the Highlands who made critically important observations and volunteered to communicate those to the police. This is another great example of the Community and Police Department working together to help keep our neighborhoods safe.

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