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Fugitive from justice arraigned today on multiple felony charges:

CENTRAL FALLS – A dangerous man is in jail today after being extradited on a warrant resulting from a wild chase that led police from Central Falls to North Attleboro, where he was later caught in the woods after crashing into traffic on Route 1.

Central Falls Police Detectives took custody of Jonathan Torres, 27, of Pawtucket after he had been held at the Bristol House of Corrections for nearly three months on multiple charges brought against him in Massachusetts stemming from an incident that originated in Central Falls.

The chaos began on the evening of the April 25th where Torres reportedly stole his sisters 2001 BMW after assaulting her and another relative at her Hunt Street home.

Torres then fled in her car before eluding Central Falls police by backing up and driving over a sidewalk when responding officers originally had boxed him in. He nearly struck one Central Falls police officer and drove another officer off the road during the escape.

Torres continued through several streets in Central Falls before getting on Interstate 95 and speeding up to more than 100 mph into Attleboro;

Central Falls officers broke off the pursuit at the Route 123 exit due to safety concerns for both officers and the motoring public.

Torres then allegedly crashed into several cars stopped at a traffic light on Route 1 South and attempted to squeeze between two cars to avoid being apprehended. With the help of Attleboro police and state police K-9 units, Torres was later apprehended in a wooded area behind the Guitar Center.

The judge at the time of the original arraignment ordered Torres held in jail without bail on the fugitive charge and set a total of $35,000 cash bail on the new charges and a 2005 Attleboro stolen motor vehicle case he has been wanted on since skipping bail in May 2007.

Later in Attleboro District Court, Torres was charged with possession of a stolen motor vehicle; driving without a license; leaving the scene of accident involving personal injury and property damage; driving to endanger; and resisting arrest.

He was remanded to the Bristol House of Corrections and later confronted extradition on charges faced in Rhode Island.

Torres' arraignment today in 6th District Court in Providence was on three counts of felony assault with a dangerous weapon or substance; reckless driving; high speed pursuit; two counts of domestic simple assault; domestic disorderly conduct; driving without a license; and driving without consent of owner.

He was ordered held as a Superior Court Violator until his next court date which is scheduled for October 10th 2015. Torres was also given $50,000 bail with surety on all the new charges.

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