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**PRESS RELEASE**

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| ***CASE #:*** | 25FRC00371 |
| ***DATE(s)/Time(s):*** | 02/28/2025 10:42 AM |
| ***Incident Type/Charge(s):*** | DUI #2 |
| ***Location of Incident:*** | Route 78 & Carter Hill, Highgate, VT |
| ***Accused:*** | Michelle Frank, 46 |

***All persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.***

***The Sheriff's Office does not set bail or conditions of release and is not involved in the decision to modify or dismiss cases submitted to the courts.  Further, the Sheriff's Office doesn't publish names of minors or victims of domestic or sexual assault.***

***Summary:***

On February 28th at approximately 10:42, a deputy with the Franklin County Sheriff’s Office responded to a 2-vehicle crash on Route 78 at the intersection of Carter Hill Road in the town of Highgate, VT. Upon investigation it was determined that Michelle Frank, 42, had caused the accident. It was further determined that Frank was under the influence of alcohol.

Frank was ultimately processed for DUI #2 and produced a preliminary breath test that was nearly 3 times the legal limit. Frank was released on a citation to appear at Vermont District Court on 03/10/25 at 10:00 AM to answer the aforementioned charge.