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Charges Sought Against Parent After Underage House Party

HINGHAM MA. – Police are seeking charges against a parent after responding to an underage house party with alcohol on Saturday where more than 30 teenagers were present.

On March 31, at 11:07pm, Officers responded to a home at 8 Brewer Rd. for a report of a loud house party where teens were throwing empty beer cans out as they left. Arriving officers found the road difficult to pass due to 10-15 cars parked on both sides of the road and on the turnaround portion. Trash and debris was in the road. They spoke with youths outside who told them the homeowner was home and they were having a large party for their daughter in the basement.

Officers met the mother at the door. She said she was having a party for her daughter, a student at Thayer Academy. She brought the officers to the basement. As officers entered the basement some teens fled out the back door. Officers saw beer cans, cups filled with beer and beer spilled on the tables. Officers were able to detain a total of 30 teenagers, ages from 15-18, in the basement. Officers learned other teens had driven away from the party before they arrived.

The mother admitted the 30 teens identified by police were not sleeping at her house and most would have driven home.

Officers decided to identify the youths, contact their parents, and remain on the scene until an adult arrived to drive the each teen home. A sober adult drove each vehicle and none were towed. The officers remained at the house until 12:40am.

A criminal complaint was applied for on Monday at Hingham District Court for the parent (Theresa Kenny, age 53, 8 Brewer Rd., Hingham) for: 1) Allowing Alcohol to be delivered to Minors (known as the State's Social Host Law) 2) Being the Keeper of a Noisy and Disorderly House.

The teens were from 17 towns (Braintree, Bridgewater, Dedham, Duxbury, Foxboro, Hanover, Hingham, Hull, Mansfield, Marshfield, Milton, Norwell, Pembroke, Quincy, Randolph, Scituate and Weymouth).