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# GAINESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## *PRESS RELEASE*

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Related Case # 13-8027**

### **Victim Recants Story of Attempted Kidnapping at Campus Lodge**

**GAINESVILLE, FLA** – One week after Gainesville Police officers responded to a reported Attempted Kidnapping and Aggravated Assault of a female UF student, detectives were told by the alleged victim that she fabricated the entire story. Prior to this admission, Gainesville Police officers and detectives spent numerous hours and employed many resources toward solving this case.

The initial report was made on April 23<sup>rd</sup> by **Tanya Borachi, 22** who originally reported she was attacked at gunpoint by an unknown race male who then tied her hands and mouth with a torn t-shirt. On Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> GPD Detectives Martin Honeycutt and Joe Mayo conducted a follow-up interview with Borachi, who ultimately recanted her story of the incident and told investigators that it did not occur at all. Borachi told investigators that she fabricated the story as a lesson to women in the area that an attack could happen to them. Borachi never reported being sexually assaulted during the attack, but considering other significant and publicized cases in southwest Gainesville recently, this case was being examined as to its possible relationship to those cases. Though detectives became skeptical of Borachi's report after they realized she had not been truthful with them about several aspects of the case, they continued to work it as if it were true.

GPD detectives will be filing a Sworn Complaint against Borachi, recommending charges of Filing a False Police Report to the State Attorney's Office. Filing a False Police Report is a First Degree Misdemeanor which carries a maximum fine of up to \$1,000 and up to 1 year of jail time. GPD may also be recommending that Borachi repay the cost of the police resources used during the investigation.

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