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Man Arrested, Charged After Firing Weapon at Henrico Police Officer

An individual has been charged with attempted capital murder after firing shots at Henrico Police late Thursday evening.

On August 20, 2020 at approximately 11:30 p.m., a Henrico Police officer was in the area of Harvie Road and Reynolds Road when they heard multiple gunshots. The officer located two subjects, one of which appeared to be armed. The officer identified themselves as police and commanded the subject(s) to drop their weapons. The suspect then fired multiple shots at the officer before fleeing. Additional responding officers located and detained the alleged shooter on Reynolds Road. No injuries were sustained during the incident.

"The safety and well-being of Henrico's police officers is now and always will be our top priority. We will be working alongside the commonwealth's attorney's office to ensure this crime is prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law," said Henrico County Manager, John Vithoulkas.

Mr. Juane Shaundell Lewis, 38, of Henrico County, has been arrested and charged with attempted capital murder and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

"The men and women of Henrico Police put their lives on the line every day. We are committed to ensuring our community is protected from those intent on doing harm to others. These officers, when confronted with an armed assailant shooting at them, gave chase until the gunman was apprehended. We will protect our Henrico community," said Henrico Police Chief, Humberto Cardounel, Jr.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call Henrico Police at (804) 501-5000. Anonymous information can be shared through Crime Stoppers at (804) 780-1000 or by using the "P3Tips" app on your smartphone device.

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