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## News Release

### Durham Police Department

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#### **Durham Man Arrested on Robbery, Kidnapping Charges After Chase**

A Durham man was arrested on robbery and kidnapping charges after a brief chase Tuesday morning in downtown Durham.

The chase started shortly after 10 a.m. when Officer M.J. Hamilton spotted a 2006 silver Saturn Ion that had been reported stolen at gunpoint late Monday night. Hamilton attempted to stop the car near Dillard and Liberty streets, but the driver refused to stop. Officers chased the Saturn for approximately three blocks before it went over a curb on Cleveland Street and the driver jumped out. Officers chased the driver, identified later as Ivory Lotson, 19, of North Mangum Street, for about a block on foot before they apprehended him.

The victim of the carjacking told officers he had gotten out of the car to put some trash in a trash can in the 200 block of West Morgan Street around 11 p.m. Monday when a male armed with a gun approached him and demanded his wallet. The male took the victim's wallet and then forced him into the trunk of the Saturn. The victim managed to open the trunk and jump out of the car on the Durham Freeway. He is being treated at Duke University Hospital for his injuries.

Lotson has been charged with first-degree kidnapping, robbery with a dangerous weapon, felony conspiracy, forgery, resisting, delaying and obstructing an officer, felony speeding to elude a law enforcement officer, careless and reckless driving and hit-and-run.

