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Congratulations to Officer Bryan Maizo, recipient of the City of Coral Gables “Officer of the Month Award,” for April 2023.

On Saturday, April 1, 2023, at approximately 21:36 hours, Officer Bryan Maizo was on routine patrol at the 1300-Block of South Dixie Highway when he observed a maroon Ford F-150 (FL QNLT42) with a mismatched white hood hauling a single axle trailer (FL BB04RZ), traveling northbound on South Dixie Highway. Officer Maizo immediately recognized the pickup truck from a BOLO (#23-089), which was issued by Detective Emilio Flores in reference to cases 23- 001676 and 23-002005.

Officer Maizo proceeded to get behind the pickup truck to initiate a traffic stop. As he was about to advise dispatch of the traffic stop, dispatch got on the air and advised of a BOLO for an ALPR hit for a Ford F-150 bearing FL QNLT42, wanted in connection to multiple beer keg thefts (Cases 23-001676, 23-002005). Officer Maizo got on the air and advised he was already behind the subject vehicle and proceeded to call out his traffic stop at the intersection of South Dixie Highway and Mundy St. Officer Maizo made contact with the driver, who was identified by his FL driver's license, as Agustin Remigio Escobar Turino. Officer Maizo noticed Mr. Escobar Turino also matched the images on the BOLO for the wanted subject.

Officer Maizo was contacted by Detective Flores after the traffic stop and was advised to detain the subject, after he verified the subject matched the BOLO, and transport him to the Criminal Division's interview room for further investigation. Mr. Escobar Turino was subsequently arrested and charged for the theft of the kegs and burglary of an occupied structure after confessing to the crimes post Miranda.

Officer Maizo's keen observation skills, attention to detail, and self-initiation led to the apprehension and arrest of a subject with multiple burglaries in Coral Gables and is deserving of the Officer of the Month Award for April 2023.