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***Two Juveniles Arrested in Arson Cases***

*Brookfield, IL* – At approximately 9:30 PM last night, a Brookfield Police Officer conducting surveillance in the 3300 Block of Arthur stopped and arrested two teenagers after they had attempted to steal a decorative lawn ornament. The item was taken from the same front yard where a grass fire had been intentionally set last Sunday night, August 21, 2016. Both juveniles were taken to the station. During interviews with Brookfield Detectives, both teens admitted to using an accelerant to start the grass fire on Arthur Avenue and two car fires in Brookfield during the month of August. Both teenagers were arrested and charged with two counts of Arson, Criminal Damage to Property and Theft. They were released to their parents and will be petitioned to Juvenile Court.

This past week, the Brookfield Police Department received calls and personal visits from residents concerned about these late night incidents where two cars and garages were severely damaged by fire. The police department appreciates the patience of our residents and cooperation of all those who assisted police with this investigation.

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