



# SOUTHAMPTON TOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

## News Release

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### Details:

The Southampton Town Police report the arrest of Chad Michael Busto, age 43, of Washington DC, on Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 11:59 PM. Southampton Town Police patrol officers had previously made contact with Busto, while investigating a 911 call of a suspicious person, during the afternoon hours of August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Busto was located in the Village of Sagaponack, Town of Southampton. It was reported at the time that Busto was riding a bicycle up into private driveways and stating to area residents that he was looking for Drew Barrymore's residence. He was suspected of stalking Ms. Barrymore due to previous incidents involving the actor. After a brief detainment for questioning by responding officers, Busto was released, and appeared to have left the area. Patrol officers notified the detective division and a follow up investigation was conducted by Southampton Town Police detectives. Their investigation led to facts that substantiated a charge for Stalking and a wanted flyer was distributed to neighboring agencies. During the afternoon of August 24<sup>th</sup>, East Hampton Town Police located the suspect, took him into custody and subsequently turned him over to Southampton Town Police detectives for arrest processing. Busto was charged with Stalking in the 4<sup>th</sup> degree, a class "B" misdemeanor. Busto will be held overnight to appear in Southampton Town Justice Court at morning arraignment.

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