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WRAP Reports on Documented BolaWrap Remote Restraint Device Field Uses

TEMPE, Ariz., May 05, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- **Wrap Technologies, Inc. (the "Company" or "WRAP") (Nasdaq: WRAP)**, a global leader in innovative public safety technologies and services, reported new data on BolaWrap uses in real-world law enforcement field situations. The first 50 field uses reported to WRAP by police agencies from across the United States resulted in an over 80% effective rate as tabulated by WRAP.

The International Association of Chiefs of Police has described use of force as the “amount of effort required by police to compel compliance by an unwilling subject”¹. Because BolaWrap doesn’t rely on pain to gain compliance, the device is designed to be used earlier during encounters with unwilling subjects to help prevent escalation and the need to use higher levels of force.

WRAP and many police departments in the U.S. tabulate the efficacy of a tool such as the BolaWrap by its ability to assist in taking a suspect into custody without excessive force, thereby ending the situation and facilitating a successful outcome. WRAP considers any outcome that results from a device assisting in taking the suspect into custody without the use of a higher level of force reflects the device’s measure of effectiveness. Entities may have their own method of tracking and defining the effectiveness of various law enforcement tools.

“Police officers in the U.S. utilize a variety of tools to achieve the desired outcome,” said Mike Rothans, Chief Strategy Officer at WRAP and retired Assistant Sheriff of the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department. “The effectiveness of these tools, from surveillance equipment to lethal force, is measured by the degree to which the agency achieves its goals. Simply put, if a device performs in the manner for which it is intended and achieves the desired outcome, then police executives evaluate that tool as effective.

“The “magic bullet” doesn’t exist; no tool or equipment carried by law enforcement is 100% successful. We believe these reports indicate that BolaWrap is helping to end police encounters across the U.S. faster, reducing injuries to everyone involved, decreasing the potential for civil liability, and building trust within the communities we serve,” added Rothans.

Chief Brian Swafford of Fruitland Police Department in Maryland and Chief Joseph Deras of Glenwood Springs Police Department in Colorado recently participated in interviews with Mr. Rothans and WRAP CEO Tom Smith. They discussed their departments’ successful BolaWrap deployments. Highlights of the interviews can be viewed [here](#).

Many agencies consider BolaWrap a very low level or non-report worthy use of force option, and, accordingly, many uses are not reported to WRAP. Each field use was documented via a field use report from the respective agencies. Some agencies also shared bodycam

footage of the field uses, and links to those videos can be found below.

[Fruitland, Maryland](#)
[Glenwood Springs, Colorado](#)
[Mountlake Terrace, Washington](#)
[Virginia, Minnesota](#)
[LaGrange, Georgia](#)
[St. Cloud, Florida](#)
[Beaufort, South Carolina](#)

For more use case highlights, please visit: <https://wrap.com/bodycam>

Note 1: International Association of the Chiefs of Police, *Police Use of Force in America*, 2001, Alexandria, Virginia, 2001.

About WRAP

WRAP Technologies (Nasdaq: WRAP) is a global leader in innovating public safety technologies and services that deliver advanced solutions focused on avoiding escalation. The BolaWrap® Remote Restraint device, WRAP's first product, is a patented, hand-held device that discharges a Kevlar® tether to temporarily restrain from a safe distance. Through many field uses and growing adoption by agencies worldwide, BolaWrap is proving to be an effective tool to safely detain persons without injury. WRAP Reality, the Company's virtual reality training system, is an immersive training simulator and comprehensive public safety training platform designed to empower first responders with the necessary knowledge to perform in the field. WRAP's headquarters are located in Tempe, Arizona. For more information, please visit wrap.com.

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