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Charges:

Petit Larceny	1 Count	Class A Misdemeanor

Arrested:

Alston, Lillie S (Age 21) Mechanicville, NY	Gonzalez, Cherise D (Age 25) Mechanicville, NY

Late Sunday afternoon, June 25, 2023, Mechanicville patrol officers responded to the Sunoco at the corner of N Central and Hill St for what was initially reported to be a robbery. Upon arrival, officers learned that two females wearing masks entered the store and stole more than $600 worth of merchandise. One suspect distracted the cashier while the other grabbed merchandise before running out and fleeing in a vehicle. The vehicle's license plate had been intentionally covered. The investigation determined that **Gonzalez** and **Alston** were responsible for the crime and both were arrested and charged with petit larceny. They were issued an appearance ticket and released pending further court action.

The Mechanicville Police Department recognizes that persons arrested for crimes are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. People reviewing these arrests should understand that an arrest is often the first step of many in the criminal justice process.