



## Good Samaritan Concocted Story of Newborn Thrown Out

*Recent news reports that a newborn was thrown out of a moving car in North Lauderdale was false, officials said.*

([PRWEB](#)) February 23, 2005 -- The woman, who county sheriffs thought was the Good Samaritan that dropped off the hour-old baby at the sheriff's station, was actually the mother. She told the authorities that she had scooped the boy up after seeing him tossed out of a car onto the grass. According to her, she saw a couple arguing in a car, and then witnessed the woman throwing the child from the passenger side.

As a result, a search was on for a white, older-model large sedan that the woman described the vehicle where the baby was supposedly thrown out.

Investigators found inconsistencies in the woman's story, and on the same day, she acknowledged that she had lied, officials said.

No charges were brought against the 38-year-old mother, instead, she was committed for psychiatric evaluation under a law, which allows individuals who are considered to be threats to themselves as well as to others, to be held and treated for 72 hours.

The 8-pound, 2-ounce boy, whose umbilical cord was still attached, survived with minor injuries. He is in stable condition in Broward General Medical Center. Nurses even nicknamed him Johnny.

The mother made the story up as a means to abandon the baby and conceal her pregnancy from her family.

"The baby was never thrown out of a moving car. It's not as horrible as we thought. This is the case of a disturbed woman who gave birth and did not want to keep her child," states one of the county sheriffs.

According to the sheriff, the woman had kept her pregnancy a secret and had initially planned to take the baby to the authorities. Under state law, a mother is allowed to abandon her child at any medical facility or fire station within three days of birth. Instead, she came up with the story after seeing two people argue inside a car.

The mother is a barmaid and has a record of arrest including an aggravated battery charge. The sheriff said that the mother was quick to confess that she's afraid that she may be a threat to the child. She also has a 10-year-old child who will also be taken from the home she shares with her mother, according to the sheriff.

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