

Maricopa County Sheriff's Office
Joe Arpaio, Sheriff
News Brief

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Mayor of Guadalupe ticketed by Sheriff's Deputy, Insults Office Again

The Mayor of Guadalupe, Rebecca Marie Jimenez DOB (12/31/71) was driving inside the town limits late last night when she was stopped by a Sheriff's deputy for having an inoperable head light. She also violated the law by having no proof of insurance or registration at the time of the traffic stop. She also refused to sign the tickets saying a Judge she knows would "take care of it."

Jimenez publicly chastised Sheriff Arpaio last month during a Sheriff's Office crime suppression sweep saying she no longer wanted the Sheriff's Office to be its contracted law enforcement authority. Arpaio responded by writing the town council indicating that the option to cancel police services at the end of the contract (July 31, 2008) is open to them.

In last night's traffic stop, Jimenez became belligerent with the deputy and again accused the Sheriff of racial profiling. She indicated that the stop was retaliation by Arpaio himself and threatened to go to the newspaper. (See attached traffic summary)

Arpaio says the \$1.3 million dollar service contract with Guadalupe will not be renewed. "She can go to some other police agency for service. They can deal with her."

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