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In reports released as early as this month, overall crime in New York City is up nearly 60% compared to this time last year. While Roosevelt Island remains one of the safest neighborhoods in New York City, we are not insulated from this unfortunate crime surge.

In the early morning hours of Tuesday, March 29th, three local establishments were brazenly burglarized. Security footage from RIOC and surrounding cameras shows two individuals boldly breaking windows at Starbucks, Granny Annie's, and Jupioca. Shortly thereafter, a PSD Officer on foot patrol took notice of and reported the damage. Currently, PSD is working alongside the NYPD who is actively investigating leads and working to identify the two individuals seen on camera.

Our hearts go out to our local businesses. COVID-19 has been challenging enough without shameful incidents like this taking place. In recent months, Public Safety has increased island-wide foot patrols with specific attention to the area encompassing these businesses, as well as the F Train station and Duane Reade. Patrols in these areas are predominant for 16 hours throughout each day and are under constant monitoring when there is no foot patrol.

The focus for myself and all of our Officers is maintaining a safe and peaceful island for both our residents and visitors. Crimes of any sort are unacceptable. We will continue to work with NYPD on this particular incident, will remain nimble in our operations, and will update the community when these individuals have been arrested.

Sincerely,
Chief Kevin Brown

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