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For Immediate Release:

OCPD Officers Assaulted During Large Fight on Boardwalk - 9 Persons Arrested

Early Saturday morning, Ocean City Police officers responded to the area of Wicomico Street and the boardwalk, for report of a fight. Officers made their way through the heavily crowded boardwalk and eventually located a group arguing. Police were able to break up the argument before a fight began. A portion of the group proceeded to walk North on the boardwalk, continuing to scream and curse loudly in the presence of families and children.

While officers tried to restore order to the area for a second time, one of the individuals, identified as Marlin Lee Ennis, 24, of Salisbury, Maryland, continued to act disorderly by cursing and refusing to comply with the officer's requests to stop using profanity and act in a threatening manner.

As one officer attempted to arrest Ennis, Ennis resisted and assaulted the officer numerous times. Several of Ennis's associates also began assaulting the arresting officer. Ennis was eventually taken into custody. During the arrest of Ennis, a female, identified as Mary Elizabeth Elzey, 21, of Baltimore, Maryland, also assaulted police officers and attempted to obstruct police from arresting Ennis. Elzey and Ennis were arrested and charged with the following:

Marlon Lee Ennis has been charged with:

1 count of disorderly conduct, 1 count of 2nd degree assault on a police officer

1 count of 2nd degree assault and 1 count of resisting arrest. Ennis was seen by an Ocean City District Court Commission and was released after posting a \$25,000 bond.

Mary Elizabeth Elzey has been charged with:

1 count of interfering with an arrest, 1 count of 2nd Degree Assault and 1 count of disorderly conduct. Elzey was seen by an Ocean City District Court Commissioner and released on own recognizance

During the incident, several more fights broke out on the boardwalk which required the response of additional police personnel, a police K9 and mounted patrol units. Over 40 Ocean City Police officers responded to the scene, as well as units from the Worcester County Sheriff's Office and the Maryland State Police. In addition to Ennis and Elzey, seven persons related to the original incident were arrested and have been identified as charged as follows:

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John O'Conner Walker -29 of Ocean City, Maryland

1 count of disorderly conduct, 2 counts of 2nd degree assault, 1 count of resisting arrest
1 count of possession of CDS/Marihuana and 1 count of CDS/Paraphernalia. Walker was seen by an Ocean City District Court Commissioner and released on own recognizance

Ronald Lee Elzey – 28 of Baltimore, Maryland;

1 count of assault 2nd degree, 1 count of assault 2nd degree of a law enforcement officer and 2 counts of resisting arrest. Elzey was seen by an Ocean City District Court Commission and was released after posting a \$25,000 bond.

Karon Andrew Bethune – 32 of Salisbury, Maryland;

1 count of assault 2nd degree, 1 count of disorderly conduct, 1 count of resisting arrest and 1 count of failure to obey a law enforcement officer. Bethune was seen by an Ocean City District Court Commissioner and released on own recognizance

Sean Camer Hitchens – 19 of Salisbury, Maryland;

1 count of malicious destruction of property under \$500 value and 1 count failure to obey a law enforcement officer. Hitchens was seen by an Ocean City District Court Commissioner and released on own recognizance.

Brandon Martice Hilliard – 20 of Berlin, Maryland;

1 count of assault 2nd degree and 1 count of disorderly conduct. Hilliard was seen by an Ocean City District Court Commissioner and released on own recognizance

Juvenile Female - 17 of Hyattsville, Maryland;

1 count of assault 2nd degree and 1 count of making a false statement to a police officer.

Marcus Alan Monk – 30 of Washington DC;

1 count of failure to obey a police officer. Monk was seen by an Ocean City District Court Commissioner and released on own recognizance.

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