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Charge Description 806.13(1B3) CRIMINAL MISCHIEF-OVER \$1000	Charge Description 775.085(1A3) COMMIT 3RD FELONY W/EVIDENCE OF PREJU
Charge Description 316.192(3)(C)(1) RECKLESS DRIVING DAMAGE PERSON OR	Charge Description

Victim's Name (Last, First, Middle) CITY OF DELRAY BEACH,	Race	Sex	Date of Birth
Local Address (Street, Apt. Number) 100 NW1ST AVE, DELRAY BEACH, FL 33444	(City)	(State)	(Zip)
Business Address (Name, Street) 100 NW1ST AVE, DELRAY BEACH, FL 33444	(City)	(State)	(Zip)

The undersigned certifies and swears that he/she has just and reasonable grounds to believe, and does believe that the above named Defendant committed the following violation of law.

The Person taken into custody

committed the below acts in my presence.

was observed by **D. ARMSTRONG** who told **DET. PITTI** that he/she saw the arrested person commit the below acts.

confessed to _____

was found to have committed the below acts, resulting from my (described) investigation.

admitting to the below facts.

On the **14** day of **June**, **2021** at **19:54** (Specifically include facts constituting cause for arrest.)

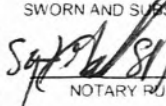

The following incident occurred in the City of Delray Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida:

On 6/12/2021, at the intersection of NE 1st ST and NE 2nd Ave, the City of Delray Beach held a ribbon-cutting ceremony unveiling its LGBTQ Pride Streetscape painting. The streetscape painting covers the entire intersection, consisting of eleven paint colors, that represent the updated pride flag, with additional colors for black and brown that represent people of color, and baby blue, pink and white stripes to represent the colors of the trans flag. The intersection is being called the "Pride Intersection". The City held the ribbon-cutting ceremony in June in honor of Pride Month.

LGBTQ stands for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer community. Pride Month is celebrated during the month of June since 1999, and on 6/1/2021 President Biden proclaimed June 2021 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Pride Month. A bias hate crime is committed with a criminal offense is motivated, in whole or in part, by any person against the property of a person or group, which in any way constitutes an expression of hatred toward the victim because of their characteristics: to include sexual orientation. It should be noted that the City of Delray Beach is a known group of persons that is an ally to the LGBTQ community. The crime affected the City of Delray Beach and the entire class of individuals residing in the community.

On 6/15/2021, Ofc. Parzyck was on patrol at 0743 hrs and noticed that the LGBTQ Pride Streetscape painting had been vandalized. Ofc. Parzyck noted that there were two black tire skid marks, approximately 15 feet across the painting; it appeared as if the driver intentionally spun the vehicle's tire to cause the damage.

On 6/15/2021, Ofc. Sargent was contacted by a concerned citizen who wished to remain anonymous. The concerned citizen stated they were a witness to the vandalism and captured the incident on their cellphone. The concerned citizen forwarded the cellphone

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video to Ofc. Sargent.

On the video, taken on 6/14/2021 at 1954 hrs, the person recording the video is traveling northbound on NE 2nd Ave approaching the intersection of NE 1st St. The citizen is directly behind a white Chevy pickup truck, bearing FL tag: NRBQ36. The video clearly shows a white Chevy truck stopped at the intersection, and then intentionally accelerated the vehicle in an unreasonable unsafe manner in a short amount of time, commonly referred to as a "burn out". This caused the vehicle, which was facing north, to skid to the West sideways recklessly crossing over into the oncoming lane of travel, which there was another vehicle approaching traveling southbound. The Chevy truck continues to recklessly skid sideways, almost hitting the NW curb to the sidewalk in front of the Hyatt hotel. It should be noted that this intersection is very pedestrian-friendly, and the Hyatt hotel has an open lounge sitting area on that sidewalk corner, which the truck would have collided into if it would have hit the curb. The video shows that the driver willfully drove the vehicle with disregard for the safety of any other persons or property.

The Chevy truck then turns westbound on NE 1st St, and it is clearly seen on video that the driver's side window is lowered, this would give witnesses a clear view of who was operating the vehicle.

A check in DAVID revealed that the FL Tag: NRBQ36 is registered to a 2018 White Chevrolet Pickup truck, VIN:1GCNCNEC5JZ906770. The registered owner is: W/M John Edward Jerich, DOB: 7/17/1971, with an address of 4611 Pinemore Lane, Lake Worth, FL 33463.

A check in DAVID for other persons living at that address revealed a W/M by the name of Alexander Michael Jerich, DOB: 7/17/2001, FL DL: J620013012570.

Ofc. Parzyck noted Witness Dave Armstrong (DOB: 12/28/64) advised that he had information pertaining to the vandalism and requested to speak with detectives.

On 6/16/2021, Sgt. Gallina and I were assigned the case. Sgt. Gallina made phone contact with Witness Armstrong, who agreed to come into the police department to provide a statement. At about 1500 hrs, Mr. Armstrong arrived at the DPBD on his own will and provided a sworn taped statement. The following is a synopsis of the statement and not verbatim, for the entire interview, refer to the taped video statement.

Armstrong stated that on the evening of 6/14/2021, he attended a "President Trump Birthday Rally" and the meeting point was at the Delray Beach Marketplace on W. Atlantic Ave and Lyons Rd, Delray Beach. Armstrong stated that approximately 30 vehicles met behind the Epic store. At the meeting point, a route list was giving out to participants. Armstrong provided that piece of paper to Det. Pitti. On the list of

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directions was: "Left on Atlantic Ave (go back up the Ave), Left on SW 1st Ave, Right on SW 1st, Right on SW 2nd Ave". Armstrong clarified that the directional "SW" is incorrect, and it should be "NE". Armstrong stated he has been a resident of Delray Beach for over twenty years and is very familiar with the geography of the City and confirmed the rally drove into the NE section.

Armstrong stated that he was two vehicles ahead of the white Chevy truck, and stopped his vehicle on NE 1st St facing west. Armstrong stated he heard another male scream to the driver of the Chevy something to the effect of: "Adam, tear up that gay intersection." Armstrong stated he turned to look and had a clear visual of the driver of the Chevy pickup and described him as a white male, in his early twenties, with blonde shoulder-length hair with curls.

Armstrong stated he does not know the driver of the Chevy personally. He described the vehicle to have one blue "Trump flag" that was leaning off the tailgate.

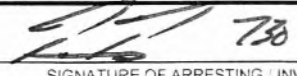
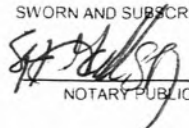
Based on the description of the driver provided by Armstrong, I requested CSI Thompson to create a photographic array with W/M Alexander Michael Jerich driver's license photograph (taken: 12/2018) Alexander Jerich's photo was in the fourth position.

Det. Lunsford conducted the photo lineup as a blind administrator following DBPD procedures. Armstrong selected photograph number 4, (initialed and dated), as "Adam", "who destroyed Delray Beach's intersection at NE 2nd and NE 1st June 14th at 7:30 pm roughly."

Armstrong continued to express that the vandalism affected him since the time of the incident and felt that he had to come forward, not only as a community member but as a gay man.

On 6/16/2021, Deputy Director of Public Works for the City of Delray Beach, Michael Karali provided the invoice, number 21-1230823, from Camilucci Signs for the cost of the "Pride Intersection" streetscape, with a cost of \$16,000 (no tax). Deputy Director Karali also advised that Labor was \$240 and Street Markings was \$480, for a total cost of \$16,720.

On 6/17/21, Karali provided a sworn taped statement advising that he oversaw all aspects of the LGBTQ Pride Streetscape Painting Project at NE 2nd Ave. and NE 1st St. Karali advised that once the project was approved in December 2020, the city obtained a vendor to complete the project at a cost of \$16,720. The streetscape encompassed the entire 4-way intersection and took several workers 4 days to complete. The intersection needed to be closed off the entire time plus an additional 7 days to cure. Foot traffic and businesses were impacted by the project and the city had to accrue additional costs to secure the location while the project was being completed. The ribbon ceremony was held

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