



Date of occurrence: October 15, 2010

Employee Name: Officer Jose Matelis

Award/Commendation type and recommendations: Letter of Commendation

Narrative:

On October 15, 2010 the Surfside Police Department along with Bay Harbor, Bal Harbour, and Indian Creek Police Departments held their third annual Moonlight MADDness Parade and Beach Party. The event has become larger each year and was again a great success raising awareness and funding for Mothers Against Drunk Driving. Officer Jay Matelis was assigned for the second year to coordinate the event for the Surfside Police Department.

Over the past four months Officer Matelis attended many preparation meetings with representatives from MADD and other law enforcement agencies. He requested and received authorization from the Florida Department of Transportation for the road closure of 96 Street for the parade. He completed a site plan and chart for the 96 Street beach area to illustrate the placement of the stage, vendors, booths, and command post. He scheduled two events at Publix to advertise for Moonlight MADDness. He recruited sponsors to donate proceeds from their products to MADD. He created an action plan with assignments for Surfside personnel. He coordinated the set up and the breakdown of the site at the beach on the day of the event.

Moonlight MADDness was a tremendous success. Officer Jay Matelis is applauded for taking the lead for Surfside on a demanding and challenging project and becoming an integral role in its success. Well done!

Chief of Police: David Allen

Date: October 20, 2010