

Surfside Police Department

<u>Award and/or commendation</u>



Date of occurrence: <u>02/11/2012</u>

Employee Name: Officer Eddie Carrasquillo & Officer Joseph Matthews

Classification: Police Officers

Unit/Division: Patrol

Award/Commendation type and recommendations: Letter of Commendation

Narrative: On Saturday February 11, 2012. Officer Carrasquillo was attempting to conduct a traffic stop on a speeding vehicle in the 9500 block of Collins Avenue when he observed a subject in another vehicle in the adjacent lane driving in an erratic manner. At this time Carrasquillo and the subject made car to car eye contact, the subject then attempted to strike Carrasquillo's marked police vehicle by abruptly swerving into his lane. Carrasquillo then attempted to stop the vehicle by activating his police vehicle's lights and siren. The subject then proceeded to flee and elude the officer's attempts to stop the vehicle. The subject fled southbound, eventually losing control of his vehicle hitting the curb at 78 Street Harding Avenue, crashing his vehicle into a traffic sign and small tree and then attempted to flee the scene. A perimeter was established with multiple agencies responding. A grid search was initiated by Officer Matthews and a few moments later Matthews found the subject matching the description given by Carrasquillo in a backyard nearby, placing the subject into custody without further incident. Officer Carrasquillo and Officer Matthews' actions resulted in the arrest of a violent offender with an extensive criminal past; Eddie and Joseph are to be commended for their outstanding work.

Recommended by:	Date:
Immediate Supervisor:	Date:
Assistant Chief:	Date:
Chief of Police:	Date: