



# SURFSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## *AWARD OR COMMENDATION*

**Date of occurrence: November 20, 2023**

**Employee Name: Elinor Joseph**

**Classification: Parking Operations Manager**

**Unit/Division: Police Department**

**Award/Commendation type and recommendations: Civilian of the Month Award**

On November 20, 2023, Surfside Police Officers handled a critical incident that involved a hit and run accident wherein the driver bailed out of the vehicle fleeing on foot into the residential neighborhood. Multiple police agencies responded, and a perimeter was established. The communications unit was overwhelmed with phone calls from concerned residents and continuous police radio traffic. Mr. Joseph understood the urgency of the situation recognizing the need for additional support in the Communications Unit. Mr. Joseph took the initiative to assist the communications operator with the radio telecommunications along with the mobile responsibilities of reassuring distressed residents' civilian safety was of utmost importance. The driver was apprehended and charged with multiple felonies subsequently the stolen vehicle was recovered. Mr. Joseph embodies the Police Department's core values pride, respect, integrity, dedication and excellence. He is commended for his positive outlook and going above and beyond the call of duty. Mr. Joseph's praiseworthy actions demonstrate his work ethic and professionalism. Congratulations to Parking Operations Manager Elinor Joseph as the recipient of the November Civilian of the Month award...well deserved!