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Two Suspects Charged After December 2022 Exhibition Driving Crash

The Birmingham Police Department has made two arrests in an exhibition driving/street racing crash that injured nearly 20 people. The incident occurred on Friday, December 9, 2022.

At around 9:10 PM, East Precinct officers were dispatched to the area of John Rogers Drive @ Brownlee Hills Road on report of a traffic accident.

Officers arrived on the scene when they observed a Dodge Charger that had collided with a Nissan 350 Z. Officers observed multiple injured victims on the scene. Irondale Police Department assisted BPD officers on the scene.

Birmingham, Irondale, Cahaba Valley, and Trussville firefighters responded to the scene to help render aid and transport the injured parties who required additional medical care.

Birmingham Police Department Wreck Investigators responded to the scene and began their investigation. The preliminary investigation revealed the Nissan 350 Z was engaged in street racing when it collided with the Dodge Charger which was engaged in exhibition driving ("donuts" "burnouts").

After a lengthy investigation, BPD Wreck Investigators recently presented information on the case to the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office. After an assessment of the information, detectives obtained six warrants for **Assault 2nd Degree** on two separate suspects.

The suspects have been identified as:

1. **Marvin Puerto, (19), HM, of Birmingham, Alabama. (Nissan 350 Z driver).**
2. **Brandon Waller, (24), B/M, of Mulga, Alabama. (Dodge Charger driver).**

Both suspects were booked into the Jefferson County Jail with **\$90,000 Bonds**.

The arrests were made possible by the hard work and dedication of the responding BPD and Irondale patrol officers and BPD wreck investigators.

The Birmingham Police Department would like to the Irondale Police Department, Birmingham Fire Department, Irondale Fire Department, Cahaba Valley Fire Department, and the Trussville Fire Department for their assistance during this horrific incident.