

CITY OF CORAL GABLES

- MEMORANDUM -

TO: MAJOR RAUL PEDROSO
ASC CHAIRPERSON

DATE: SEPTEMBER 6, 2011

FROM: SERGEANT LONNIE HILL
PROPERTY CRIMES UNIT

SUBJECT:
AWARDS/HONOR
NOMINATION



It is with great honor and respect that I submit the nomination of Detective Maurice Poirier for Officer of the Month of August. On August 13, 2012, while patrolling in an unmarked capacity due to the rising rate of residential burglaries in areas 19, 20, 21 22, and 23, Detective Poirier observed a vehicle fitting the description of that utilized in a previous residential burglary BOLO (12-72). Detective Poirier followed the vehicle through the residential areas north and south of Sunset Road. While waiting for assistance to arrive to join in the surveillance, the driver appeared to suspect he was being followed began to exit the City of Coral Gables via Old Cutler Road. Detective Poirier continued following the vehicle and at some point, the suspect realized he was being followed began throwing articles out of his vehicle's window. Detective Andrew Cachinero, who subsequently joined the surveillance group, observed this action and relayed same via police radio to the other Property Crimes units.

Detective Cachinero then instructed Detective B. Baena, who was following him, to break off surveillance and return to the area of the discarded property. The discarded property was located and a cursory observation revealed it to be assorted jewelry, whose origin was unknown. Pictures of the discarded jewelry were then sent to Sergeant L. Hill and Officer R. McCalla, who were on two separate scenes of recently discovered residential burglaries. During this time, the suspect was ultimately stopped at SW 164 Street and South Dixie Highway due to this suspicious and erratic driving behavior. Officer R. McCalla showed the pictures to the victim, Mrs. Strickland (#12-6190) who positively identified the jewelry as belonging to her. The Offender, Yuniel Hinojosa was placed under arrest and charged with Dealing in Stolen Property and Loitering and Prowling.

Due to Detective Poirier's excellent observation skills and knowledge of previous burglaries assigned to him the apprehension of Offender Hinojosa, the identification of a second suspect (Jandy Blanco-Gonzalez), and recovery of the victim's stolen property would not have been positive. It is for this self-initiated action that I submit this recommendation

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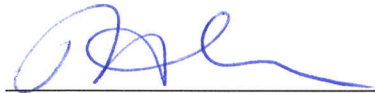
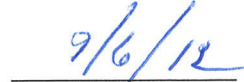
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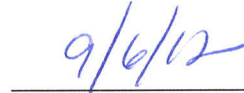
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