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POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE

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Date / Time of News Release: 1/15/18 @ 0109 hrs.

Incident: Felony Hit & Run with Arrest

Location: 5600 Block Valentine Rd.

Date/Time Occurred: 1/14/18 at 1729 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Police Patrol Officers, Ventura Police Traffic Division, Ventura Police Crime Scene Investigator, and Ventura City Fire

Suspect(s): Tanisha Washington 38 years, Ventura Resident

Victim(s): Adult female 55 years, Simi Valley Resident
Adult female 61 years, Camarillo Resident
Adult female 56 years, Simi Valley Resident

Report #: 18-00591

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Command Center received several 911 calls reporting a traffic collision on Valentine Rd. in front of Tommy's Hamburgers. Moments later, callers reported a vehicle involved was leaving the scene. Arriving officers, along with Ventura City Fire and medical personnel, attended to the three occupants of the victim vehicle. The driver of the victim vehicle, a 55 year old female, was trapped inside the vehicle from the damage and Ventura City Fire personnel had to extricate her from the vehicle with lifesaving equipment. The 55 year old female driver and her 56 year old female passenger were transported by ambulance to the Ventura County Medical Center for serious injuries. The driver is listed in critical condition and required emergency surgery. The third passenger in the victim vehicle, the 61 year old female, was treated and released at the scene.

Officers located the suspect, Tanisha Washington and her vehicle at her residence. A witness to the collision reported Washington was driving reckless at the time of the collision and had a small child in the vehicle. Officers confirmed there was a 3 year old child in Washington's vehicle at the time of the collision and the child was found to be uninjured from the collision.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

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Officers suspected Washington was under the influence of alcohol and drugs and she was placed under arrest. Washington was arrested for felony hit and run causing injury, felony driving under the combined influence of alcohol and drugs, and child endangerment.

The investigation into this incident is ongoing. Anyone with information regarding the incident is encouraged to contact the Ventura Police Department at 805-650-8010.

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