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La Habra Police Department Press Release

Arrests Have Been Made for Possession of Illegal Fireworks

La Habra, June 29, 2017: On June 27, 2017, at approximately 9:00 p.m., officers were dispatched to the area of Beach Boulevard and La Cadena Lane due to reports of illegal fireworks being lit. Shortly after officers arrived, two male adult subjects were seen lighting fireworks.

When officer attempted to detain both subjects, one of them fled on foot. After a short foot chase, the fleeing suspect was detained. The subjects were identified as Giovani Montes, 22 years old, of La Habra and Jesus Gutierrez, 23 years old, of San Bernardino. Montes and Gutierrez were both arrested for being in possession of illegal fireworks.

With the July 4th holiday weekend rapidly approaching, Chief Jerry Price and the men and women of the La Habra Police Department want everyone to enjoy a safe and fun holiday celebration. To do so, they also want to remind residents and visitors to the community that ALL FIREWORKS are prohibited in the City of La Habra and that failing to abide by the law, may result in a citation and fine up to \$1,000, and/or criminal prosecution in a court of law. Residents of La Habra should also know that they can be held responsible for any violations of this law, if they allow the use, discharge, possession, storage or sales of fireworks on their property.

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As a safe alternative, however, the city's annual "Fourth of July Spectacular" held at La Habra High School is an option. It features live entertainment, food and drinks for purchase, a free kid's zone, and a fantastic fireworks show. The event gates open on July 4th at 5:00 p.m., with the program ending at 9:45 p.m.

For ticket prices and more information, go to the city's website at lahabracalifornia.gov and check the "calendar of events" or contact the Community Services Department at (562) 383-4200.

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