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Hollywood Police Department

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UPDATE 4 - ANIMAL CRUELTY

Date: Tuesday, October 10, 2017

Location: 1945 Lee Street, Hollywood, Florida

Arrestee: Brendan Evans, DOB: 10/17/86, 1935 Lee Street, Apt. 3, Hollywood, FL

An arrest has been made in connection with the animal cruelty case that occurred on Tuesday, October 10, 2017.

Brendan Evans, 31, is charged with Aggravated Animal Cruelty following an investigation into the incident that left a pit bull dead two days after he was found with multiple stab wounds and stuffed into a suitcase. DNA taken from the suitcase was linked to Evans.

An investigation into Evans revealed previous arrests including an arrest by BSO in 2012 for domestic battery and he is currently on probation for bank robbery in Hernando County. Evans fingerprints were also found to be linked to a residential burglary in the City of Hollywood. He was taken into custody for the burglary and violation of probation.

On November 14, 2017, Detectives executed a search warrant at Evans' residence. Please see the attached Arrest Affidavit for further details on items found inside the residence.

"We will not tolerate any form of animal cruelty or violence in our city. Each reported case of animal cruelty, be it physical abuse or neglect, is disturbing, and this case is particularly heartbreaking. We were all pulling for Ollie to survive, but unfortunately he didn't make it. However, due to our investigation, we are now able to provide justice for Ollie," said Acting Police Chief Chris O'Brien.

Hollywood Police are searching for the individual or individuals who severely injured a dog and left him trapped inside of a suitcase. Shortly after 1:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 officers responded to 1945 Lee Street. Upon arrival, officers found a dog paw sticking out of a suitcase that was in the rear of the abandoned building. Officers heard a dog cry come from within the suitcase. Inside the suitcase, a pit bull was found with severe lacerations to the top of his head and body.



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The dog, which has been named Ollie, was transported to VCA Hollywood Animal Hospital where the veterinarian advised that the dog was stabbed (possibly multiple times) and beaten. Grateful Paws Dog & Cat Rescue is looking for a foster home for Ollie: <https://www.gofundme.com/oliver-stabbed-left-for-dead>.

Ollie does not have a chip and was wearing a collar without a tag.

Detectives are asking anyone who may have information concerning this incident to call the Hollywood Police Department's Detective Bureau at 954-967-4411. Tipsters can e-mail or text to hollywoodpdtips@hollywoodfl.org. Information can also be given to Broward Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS or www.browardcrimestoppers.org.

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