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ARREST MADE IN SERIOUS HIT AND RUN TRAFFIC COLLISION

SEAL BEACH, CA. – The driver of the vehicle that caused the hit and run collision and injured five people on February 11th has been arrested.

On Saturday, February 11th, 2023, approximately 7:11 p.m., two vehicles collided at the intersection of Pacific Coast Highway and Main Street in Seal Beach. The driver of the vehicle that caused the collision fled on foot and was not immediately located.

Investigators from the Seal Beach Police Department Serious Traffic Accident Response (STAR) Team responded to the scene and worked with the Orange County Sheriff's Crime Lab to process physical evidence from the suspect vehicle. In the days following the collision, officers from the Seal Beach Police Department, with the assistance of West County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) volunteers, canvassed the neighborhood to gather surveillance footage and additional witness statements. The subsequent investigation by the Seal Beach Police Department Detective Bureau led to the identification of a person of interest, Jahson Imgrund, age 23, of Lake Forest, California.

On Sunday, February 19th, 2023, Imgrund surrendered himself to the Seal Beach Police Department. He was taken into custody and booked for California Vehicle Code 20001(b)(2) - Felony Hit and Run with Serious Bodily Injury.

"I commend the STAR team, the traffic unit and the detective bureau for their diligence in this investigation and persistence in pursuing this suspect to keep the community safe," said Seal Beach Chief of Police Michael Henderson. "We want to thank the community for their support and assistance during this investigation. The assistance of volunteers canvassing the neighborhood, residents searching for additional video evidence, and the ongoing concern for the victims and their families illustrates how tight knit the Seal Beach community is."

This is an ongoing investigation, anyone with information is asked to contact Traffic Investigator Officer James Dowdell at (562) 799-4100 ext. 1627 or jdowdell@sealbeachca.gov.

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