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Cape May Court House, New Jersey - Cape May County Prosecutor Jeffrey H. Sutherland and Chief Katherine Madden of the North Wildwood Police Department announce the arrest of 20-year-old Alpacino Carrero of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and a 17-year-old juvenile male of West Wildwood, New Jersey.

On June 22, 2026, at approximately 0105 hrs. Patrol Officers from the North Wildwood Police Department responded to the area of 13th Avenue and Central Avenue in North Wildwood for the report of a fight in progress. Upon arrival, officers located and identified three (3) injured adult victims who were transported to Cooper University Hospital Cape Regional for treatment. One of the victims had become unconscious due to being struck with a bottle. The suspects fled the scene prior to police arrival.

An investigation was then conducted by the North Wildwood Police Department Detective Division in coordination with the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office Major Crimes Unit.

As a result of the investigation, on June 22, 2026, Alpacino Carrero was arrested and charged with Conspiracy to Commit Aggravated Assault, a crime of the second degree; and Aggravated Assault, a crime of the second degree. Carrero was processed and lodged at the Cape May County Correctional Facility pending court proceedings.

On this same date, the juvenile suspect was also arrested and charged with Conspiracy to Commit Aggravated Assault, a crime of the second degree; Aggravated Assault, a crime of the second degree; and Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose, a crime of the third degree. The juvenile was detained in a juvenile detention facility. On June 23, 2026, additional charges for the juvenile male were filed, Robbery, a crime of the first degree; and an additional Aggravated Assault charge, a crime of the second degree.

Prosecutor Sutherland advised that there is no ongoing threat to the public and that this investigation remains active and ongoing.

Anyone with additional information related to this incident is encouraged to contact the North Wildwood Police Department at 609-522-2030 ext.1600, the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office at 609-465-1135, or submit anonymous tips through the Cape May County Prosecutor's Office website at cmcpo.tips.

It is advised that a person convicted of a first-degree crime is subject to a term of imprisonment ranging from 10 to 20 years and a second-degree crime ranging from 5 to 10 years in New Jersey State Prison. A person convicted of a third-degree crime is subject to a term of imprisonment ranging from 3 to 5 years.

The charges and accusations contained in this press release are merely allegations. The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law.