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PRESS RELEASE

Downey, CA, September 21, 2015:

On Sunday, September 20th, at about 1:20 p.m., Downey Officers responded to Buffalo Wild Wings located at 193 Stonewood Street regarding two men fighting. When the officers arrived, the scene was calm, although one man claimed to have been involved in an earlier fight with another group of men who had already left the scene. He did not want to pursue any criminal charges at the time, but later came to the Downey Police Station and filed an assault report.

Later the same afternoon, the police department was made aware that a video depicting the fight had been posted on social media. In the video, it was apparent more than just two men were involved in the fight. So far, only moderate injuries have been reported from this incident.

The Downey Police Department takes such matters seriously and will diligently work to identify and prosecute those involved. We are asking that anyone with information regarding this incident or the identities of those involved contact the Downey Police Department at (562) 904-2308, or the lead investigator, Detective Ron Gee at (562) 904-2331.

Mayor Luis Marquez stated, "As a local resident and parent, I was appalled at the behavior I witnessed in the video footage from this weekend, but I am confident that Downey Police will complete a thorough investigation and justice will be served. We in Downey are proud of our thriving business districts and safe neighborhoods, and we want to reassure both visitors and residents that this isolated incident is being taken seriously."

"We in Downey are a 'Character Counts' city, and we place a top priority on our public safety." stated Mayor Pro Tem Alex Saab, "Fortunately, the inappropriate behavior captured on video outside of a local restaurant this weekend was an isolated incident and not representative of our residents' values. I look forward to meeting personally with our Police Chief regarding the Department's investigation and response in order to ensure the safety of all of our residents and visitors."

To provide information ANONYMOUSLY, call Crime Stoppers at (800) 222-TIPS or by texting the letters TIPLA, plus, to CRIMES (274637) or by using the website.

Press inquiries may be directed to Lieutenant Mark McDaniel at (562) 904-2370 or Sergeant Leigh Lacy at (562) 904-2340.