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NEWS RELEASE

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Follow-up Release to Texas v. WVU Aftermath

The Morgantown Police Department is coordinating with several outside agencies in preparations for this week's Texas Tech v. WVU football game. Normally, out of town games do not present much of a problem for local law enforcement but recent incidents have caused additional focus to be placed on public safety and property during these events. Various city agencies and law enforcement will be partnering efforts to ensure the safety of residents, officers, and employees. It is our hope that these preparations and the increased awareness which resulted from last weeks problems will curb the illegal behavior and allow fans to celebrate in more appropriate ways.

Through efforts of law enforcement and the help of the public through tips, social media, and news media, several individuals have been identified committing illegal acts during last week's riots and will be charged accordingly. Information was obtained through phone calls, You Tube, and Facebook, which will lead to the arrest of these and potentially other individuals.

The following individuals were arrested on the night of the Texas v. WVU game:

NAME	AGE	CHARGE(S)	ALLEGED ACTIONS
1. James Richard Zito Glenelg, MD WVU student	20	(1) Obstructing an Officer	Officers observed Zito appearing to light a fire and ordered him to stop. Zito ran away from officers as they tried to stop and identify him. Once he was caught, he resisted arrest and attempted to stop the officers from placing him into handcuffs.
2. Kathryn Durko Cokeburg, PA WVU student	21	(1) Battery on a Police Officer (2) Obstructing an Officer (3) Disorderly Conduct	Physically interfered with the arrest of another and struck an officer with her hand.

3.	Nathan Hoopergarner Pursglove, WV	19	(1) Battery on Govern- mental Representatives, Health Care Providers, and Emergency Medical Service Personnel	Officer observed Hoopergarner throw a bottle at him
4.	Timothy Watkins Westminster, MD WVU student	22	(1) Obstructing an Officer (2) Disorderly Conduct	Acting with aggression to officer (attempting to punch) and actively resisting arrest
5.	Alexandra Amato Morgantown, WV WVU student	18	(1) Obstructing an Officer (2) Underage Possession/ Consumption of Alcohol	Interfering in the arrest of another while in an intoxicated state (below the legal age to consume alcoholic beverages.)
6.	Vincent Raubaugh Germantown, MD	39	(1) Appear in Public in an Intoxicated Condition	Acting in a belligerent, aggressive, and drunken manner and failing to comply with officer's directions.

In addition to these arrests, 17 criminal citations were also issued for charges ranging from Underage Possession/Consumption, Throwing Missiles (objects), Nuisance Party, and Disorderly Conduct.

The Morgantown Police Department is committed to its goal of eliminating crime in our city. Citizens are encouraged to become a **“Partner in Policing”**, by reporting suspected criminal activity to Morgantown Police Department Switchboard at (304) 284-7522. If you need immediate Police attention or a crime is in progress call 911.

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