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## Public Safety Statement Regarding Online Post and Christmas Parade Security

**WAUKESHA, Wis.** – On Sunday December 7th, officers investigated a publicly shared social media post that raised safety concerns related to the City of Waukesha Christmas Parade.

The post contained language that, due to its timing and content, was interpreted as potentially threatening in nature. The statement began circulating online shortly before the parade was scheduled to begin and prompted immediate review by law enforcement.

Out of an abundance of caution and in the interest of public safety, officers initiated an immediate investigation. The individual responsible for the post was located and taken into custody without incident. There was no ongoing threat to the public.

At no time was the Christmas Parade delayed or canceled as a result of this investigation, and the event proceeded as scheduled with enhanced security measures in place.

The Waukesha Police Department worked in coordination with the Waukesha County Sheriff's Department to ensure a swift and thorough response. We appreciate the public's assistance in reporting concerns and encourage community members to continue to report any statements or behavior that may indicate a credible safety risk.

This matter remains under review. No further information is being released at this time.

### Community Reminder

The Waukesha Police Department reminds residents that statements made on social media can have real-world consequences. Posts that imply or suggest violence, particularly during public events, are taken seriously and investigated immediately.

Anyone with additional information related to this incident is encouraged to contact the Waukesha Police Department.

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