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Attorney General Brown Announces Charges for Series of Citizen and Commercial Armed Robberies in Baltimore Region

Four Teens and Young Adult Charged for Roles in at Least 45 Incidents, Including Almost Two Dozen Commercial Armed Robberies in Baltimore County, Baltimore City, and Howard County

BALTIMORE, MD (July 10, 2024) – Attorney General Anthony G. Brown today announced that charges have been brought against five Baltimore-area individuals, aged 17 to 20, for their roles in the string of armed robberies and motor vehicle thefts that plagued Baltimore City, Baltimore County, and Howard County between November 2023 and January 2024. In total, the group is known to be responsible for at least 45 incidents.

Members of the group have been charged with their various roles in the commission of 22 commercial armed robberies, eight robberies of pizza delivery drivers and civilians, eight stolen vehicles, and various additional violent acts. In addition, one member of the organization has been charged with bringing a firearm to a school.

At least 60 citizens of Baltimore and the surrounding areas fell victim to this group of individuals. Investigators believe there may be additional incidents that were not reported. If you have any information related to these incidents please call Baltimore County Police at 410-307-2020.

The group started their crime spree with armed robberies and robberies of delivery drivers. The group eventually began to commit commercial armed robberies of pizza stores and convenience stores. Often, they would use more than one handgun and physically assault the victims during the robberies. Sometimes they would commit upward of four armed robberies in one evening. In a typical commercial robbery, the group would enter a business, often a pizza restaurant, and a member of the group would approach the store clerk and intend to make a purchase using cash. When the store clerk would open the cash register, the other members of the group would approach the clerk with guns and take the cash or the entire drawer from the register, as well as cash from the tip jars. On several occasions, members of the group hit the store clerk with the gun, grabbed the clerk, and/or threatened to kill the clerk during the robberies. On one occasion, during a robbery, a member of the group dropped a handgun, causing it to discharge.

The indicted individuals include:

- Corey Sabb, Jr., 19, of Baltimore City who is charged with 155 counts, including participation in a criminal organization, 17 counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon, and several firearm charges.
- Dewayne Sanders, 20, of Baltimore City who is charged with 245 counts, including participation in a criminal organization, 30 counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon and several firearm charges.
- Allen Hill, 18, of Baltimore City who is charged with 76 counts including participation in a criminal organization, 12 counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon and several firearm charges.
- A 17-year-old juvenile male from Baltimore City who is charged as an adult with 251 counts including participation in a criminal organization, 34 counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon and multiple firearm charges.
- A 17-year-old juvenile male from Baltimore City who is charged as an adult with 94 counts including participation in a criminal organization, 15 counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon and several firearm charges.

The investigation included the Baltimore Police Department, the Baltimore County Police Department, the Howard County Police Department, Baltimore County State's Attorney's Office and the Organized Crime Unit of the Office of the Attorney General.

"Brazen criminal behavior that threatens the safety and livelihoods of hard-working Marylanders will not be tolerated. Every person must be able to go to work and live their life without fear of violence or intimidation," said Attorney General Brown. "Our investigators and prosecutors and partner law enforcement agencies have worked together tirelessly to dismantle this criminal organization and protect our communities."

"Department members work tirelessly to protect Baltimore County communities through investigations and operations intended to disrupt and dismantle criminal enterprises, as the outcome of this case illustrates," said Baltimore County Police Chief Robert O. McCullough.

"This kind of collaboration is critical to addressing crime sprees that cross multiple jurisdictions," **said Howard County Police Chief Gregory Der**. "The combined efforts of all of our partners will have a meaningful impact on safety in communities throughout our region."

"It is simply not acceptable for these teenagers and young adults to continue to plague Baltimore's residents and communities with this egregious and unlawful behavior," **said Police Commissioner Richard Worley.** "I want to thank the men and women of the BPD, Mayor Scott, the Attorney General's Office, each of our law enforcement partners and members of our community who all come together to fight crime, make Baltimore a safer place and improve the quality of life for our residents and visitors."

The defendants' cases will be prosecuted in Baltimore County.

A criminal indictment is merely an accusation of wrongdoing, and a defendant is presumed innocent until the state proves the defendant guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

In making today's announcement, Attorney General Brown thanked the attorneys in his Criminal Division, including Organized Crime Unit Chief Paul Halliday and Assistant Attorneys General Colin McDaniels and Jacey Smith, the Baltimore County Police Department, the Baltimore City Police Department, and the Howard County Police Department. Attorney General Brown also thanked Baltimore City State's Attorney Ivan Bates, Baltimore County State's Attorney Scott Shellenberger, and Howard County State's Attorney Rich Gibson, Jr. for their offices' assistance in this investigation.

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