## PSA Annual Meeting Neighborhood Block Watch Report July 6, 2024

Neighborhood Watch is a program designed to increase neighborhood livability by reducing crime and the fear of crime by active citizen participation.

We appreciate Paradise Service Associates Board of Directors for including updates about Block Watch at each of their Board and Annual meetings.

PSA's Neighborhood Block Watch consists of two Co-managers and 11 captains. Most have access to our "private" FB page where we retain records of photos, recordings, and incident reporting. We believe those records may be helpful to the Sheriff's department in the future.

There *had* been no incidents reported to me since October of 2023. In June, however, we learned of reports of verbal altercations with an angry neighbor in both April and May. The Sheriff was called. In addition, we learned that a person had been walking around the neighborhood with a chainsaw in May. This concerned some of our neighbors.

I plan to send a friendly reminder about Neighborhood Block Watch to our PSA community members via our Gmail account. Some of our new members may be unaware of Neighborhood Watch. The message will include contact information of the co-managers and neighborhood captains to which they may report concerns or crimes.

While we keep track of incidents and we appreciate you letting us know of the events, I encourage our members to also call the Sheriff's non-emergency number 360.426.4441 (if an emergency, please dial 911) and report to them, as well. Our Neighborhood Block Watch cumulative reports and your individual reports to the Sheriff Department help keep our community at the top of their minds, which may increase their presence in our community.

I ask all members of our neighborhood to report incidents to me, Co-manager Theresa Ancich, or your neighborhood Captain. The Co-Managers and Captains are listed with their contact information on Paradise Estate's website at: http://paradise-service-associates.org.

Please let me know if you require further information.

Respectfully submitted,

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