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MEDIA RELEASE

TIRE DUMPING SUSPECTS CAUGHT BY CITIZEN

CLEVELAND, TN. (MAY 26, 2023) — The night of May 22, 2023, a call was placed to the Bradley County 911 Center with information about someone illegally dumping tires on a property on Keith Valley Road. The caller provided an excellent description of the vehicle and suspects involved as they watched the crime unfold. Deputies on patrol were able to intercept the suspects as they were leaving the area.

An investigation into the incident revealed an estimated 50 – 60 tires were illegally dumped by Marcus Jones and Phillip Ashley on an elderly citizen's property without permission.

Jones and Ashley were both issued State Citations in lieu of an arrest, both being charged with Criminal Littering. Mr. Jones and Mr. Ashley retrieved all of the tires they illegally dumped and loaded them back on their trailer before leaving.

We would like to commend the caller and property owner who provided valuable and timely information on this case. Without their witness to this crime and willingness to report, the suspects would have gotten away.

About BCSO

The Bradley County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) is a law enforcement agency serving all residents of Bradley County, Tennessee. The elected sheriff is Steve Lawson, who has held the post since September 2018. John Stone is the current chief deputy. BCSO is located at 2290 Blythe Avenue SE, Cleveland, TN 37311 and can be reached at 423-728-7300 for non-emergency calls.