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## ***Thrill Attackers Caught on Tape*** ***Youth Wanted to Broadcast Their Attack on Internet*** ***Quick Police Work Stopped Further Abuse and Additional Attacks***

***JERSEY CITY – Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy and police officials unveiled today the details of a juvenile crime spree that was thwarted by the outstanding work of the Jersey City Police Department, and the juveniles may now be charged as adults.***

***“While I am saddened to know that some of our youth may find pleasure in inflicting harm and causing pain to their fellow man, this is not the first time we have seen this kind of brutal activity by our youth,” Mayor Healy said. “Thanks to the outstanding work of the Jersey City Police Department, we have been able to identify these juveniles who have been getting a thrill out of harming innocent people and we put a stop this viciousness.”***

***As a result of their investigation of the brutal attack of a 60-year-old man on Aug. 25th, police arrested Jerrik Taylor, 18, of Harlem. Taylor, who police say was the ring-leaders of the 5:30 am street attack where the youngest suspect was a 13-year-old and one suspect was is a 17-year-old girl. Two others, 16 and 17 year old boys were also arrested.***

***The suspects, who filmed their brutal attack with the intention of broadcasting it on the Internet, now may face additional charges and may be treated as adults. Working on a tip, police were able to seize pertinent evidence and recover video detailing the brutal attack and the pleasure these youth found in their pursuit.***

***“These juveniles found pleasure in their attack, which they filmed and carried out for the sole purpose of creating a widespread audience on the Internet,” said Police Chief Thomas Comey. “Thanks to the quick work of our detectives and police officers we were able to prevent these actors from airing their violent attack video on the Internet which would have caused further pain for the victim.”***

***“Clearly these actions are unacceptable and they will not be tolerated,” Chief Comey added. “The citizens of this city have my assurance that if any situation occurs this department will be relentless in our determination to identify, apprehend and assist in the prosecution of anyone who commits such heinous crimes.”***