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Oak Brook Police On Scene for Demonstration at McDonalds Corporation

OAK BROOK, IL – May 26, 2016 –Over the last two days, members of the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) conducted demonstrations in Oak Brook.

On Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at approximately 3:30 pm, members of the SEIU marched on 22nd Street to the McDonald's Corporation Headquarters at 2111 McDonald Drive in Oak Brook. The Oak Brook Police Department closed portions of 22nd Street from York to Spring Rd to ensure the safety of the approximately 2,000 participants on scene, as well as the motoring public. Once the demonstrators arrived on McDonalds Drive, 22nd Street was reopened to vehicle traffic in both directions approximately 7:30 pm. McDonalds Drive remained closed from 22nd Street to Commerce. The majority of demonstrators left the area by 8:30 pm. There were no arrests or medical calls related to this event. Approximately 200 participants of the SEIU erected small tents and remained on McDonalds Drive until approximately 7:00 am on Thursday, May 26, 2016.

On Thursday, May 26, 2016 at approximately 6:00 a.m., members of the SEIU marched near the McDonald's Corporate Campus on Jorie Blvd. in Oak Brook. The Oak Brook Police Department intermittently closed Jorie Blvd., to ensure the safety of the approximately 1,000 participants on scene. The demonstration ended approximately 10:00 am. There were no arrests related to this event. There was one medical call for a participant with a pre-existing medical condition.

Chief James Kruger said "The goal today was to protect the safety of marchers and the property of local businesses, while minimizing the disruption to the motoring public." Chief Kruger added. "We appreciate that the protesters exercised their rights in a peaceful, non-violent manner. We also want to especially thank the 300 plus law enforcement professionals that assisted us in the planning and operations of this demonstration."

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