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Arizona Man Charged With Felony Assault of Law Enforcement Officers and Other Counts During Jan. 6 Capitol Breach

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WASHINGTON — An Arizona man self-surrendered and was arrested today for allegedly assaulting law enforcement officers and other charges related to his alleged conduct during the Jan. 6, 2021, breach of the U.S. Capitol. His alleged actions and the actions of others disrupted a joint session of the U.S. Congress convened to ascertain and count the electoral votes related to the 2020 presidential election.

David Caleb Crosby, 35, of Phoenix, Arizona, is charged in a criminal complaint filed in the District of Columbia with assaulting, resisting, or impeding certain officers; entering and remaining in a restricted building or grounds; engaging in physical violence in a restricted building or grounds; disorderly conduct in a Capitol building or grounds; and engaging in an act of physical violence in the grounds or any of the Capitol buildings.

The FBI arrested Crosby today in Phoenix. He will make his initial appearance in the District of Arizona.

According to court documents, on January 6, 2021, Crosby confronted police attempting to hold a police line located on the U.S. Capitol's Lower West Plaza. Crosby allegedly used his back and body to repeatedly ram into bike racks serving as police barricades.

Videos recorded Crosby repeatedly backing into the police line, even as officers repeatedly shoved him away and issued commands to back up. Two officers from the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) used a Mk 46 "super soaker" to deploy chemical irritants in efforts to repel him. But even after being directly sprayed by these irritants and specifically ordered to back up, Crosby continued to ram his back into the police line. Crosby's efforts appeared to encourage other rioters to also confront the police line. Crosby's pushes against the police line were thwarted only when MPD officers pulled him over the top of these barricades and detained him.

This case was prosecuted by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia and the Department of Justice National Security Division's Counterterrorism Section. Valuable assistance was provided by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona.

This case is being investigated by the by the FBI's Phoenix and Washington Field Offices, which identified Crosby as BOLO (Be on the Lookout) AFO (Assault on Federal Officer) #248 on its seeking information photos. Valuable assistance was provided by the U.S. Capitol Police and the Metropolitan Police Department.

In the 47 months since Jan. 6, 2021, more than 1,572 individuals have been charged in nearly all 50 states for crimes related to the breach of the U.S. Capitol, including more than 590 individuals charged with assaulting or impeding law enforcement, a felony. The investigation remains ongoing.

Anyone with tips can call 1-800-CALL-FBI (800-225-5324) or visit tips.fbi.gov.

A complaint is merely an allegation, and all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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