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***“Keeping New York Safe”***

***Inmate Injures Eight Officers at Albion Correctional Facility***

*Six Officers Need Treatment at Medina Hospital for Injuries*

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**Albion, NY** – Two weeks after four officers were injured by a female inmate at the medium security correctional facility, eight officers were injured yesterday by an inmate who repeatedly attacked them as they attempted to escort the inmate to the infirmary. Six officers needed to be treated at an outside hospital for their injuries after the attack.

Initially a response was called because the inmate had become irate and began throwing chairs and threatening officers in the visit room. Two officers approached the inmate and ordered the inmate to calm down. Their orders were ignored. The officers attempted to place the inmate in a body hold. The inmate began wildly throwing punches at the officers. Additional staff arrived and assisted in forcing the inmate to the floor. Still extremely combative on the floor, handcuffs were applied. Once in handcuffs, the inmate became compliant.

As staff was escorting the inmate to the infirmary, he began pulling away from officers. He was placed in a body hold and forced to the ground again. The inmate was brought to his feet and escorted to the infirmary and placed in a medical chair. Inside the infirmary, the inmate began making threats at officers again, stood up and became aggressive. Staff had to apply body holds and force the inmate to the ground, multiple times. On the ground, the inmate kicked violently at staff until they were able to restrain the inmate’s legs. The inmate was brought to his feet again and placed in the chair, where he finally remained compliant until his evaluation.

Two officers sustained shoulder, back, knee, dizziness and a headache after the incident. They were treated by medical staff at the facility and remained on duty.

Six officers were transported to Medina Hospital for treatment of broken rib, toe, jaw, back, arm, shoulder, elbow, knee injuries and shortness of breath. The officers were treated and released from the hospital and did not return to duty.

The inmate, 30, is serving a two to four year sentence after being convicted for Criminal Contempt 1<sup>st</sup> in Seneca County in 2022. The inmate is eligible for parole in July of 2024.

“Only two short weeks after four officers were violently attacked at the female correctional facility, eight officers get injured, sending six to the hospital when an out of control inmate violently attacked them at Albion. This inmate didn’t stop after initially being subdued. The inmate continued to fight with staff during the escort to the infirmary and multiple times inside the infirmary when staff was attempting to have the inmate evaluated for injuries. To have eight officers injured gives you a picture of the level of uncontrollable violence that occurred in this latest attack. The aftermath is six officers are now off duty because of their injuries and an inmate that returns to the facility with, if lucky, a slap on the wrist because of non-existent discipline. To have inmates teeing off on our members at Albion, or any jail for that matter is unacceptable. This continues to show us and the public that certain legislator’s agendas are more important than our lives. How many times can we report our brothers and sisters going to the hospital before the lawmakers change their pro criminal policies? The reality is that someone is going to die in our prisons and they could care less!”-said Kenny Gold, Western Region Vice President.