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## \*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\* For Immediate Release

On Tuesday, November 28, 2017, Sheriff Troy Peterson announced the arrests of 33 year old Desire Louise Martinez who resides at 18193 Campbell Circle Gulfport, MS, on the felony charge of simple assault on a public health employee.

According to Sheriff Troy Peterson, Martinez was transported by AMR to Garden Park Medical Center to receive treatment for an undisclosed emergency. While receiving care in the emergency room, Martinez punched a Registered Nurse employed with Garden Park in the face with a closed fist. Martinez was restrained and the Registered Nurse received treatment for the minor injury.

Desire Louise Martinez was booked into the Harrison County Adult Detention Facility and charged with one count of simple assault on a public health employee. Martinez is being held in lieu of a \$50,000.00 dollar bond set by Justice Court Judge Melvin Ray.

| Investigative Officer: Inv. Anthony Piazza          |   |
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| Arresting Officer(s): Deputy Rebecca Wright         | _ |
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