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Brevard Zoo returns rehabilitated sea turtle to ocean

MELBOURNE, Fla., August 10, 2021 — Juvenile green sea turtle Brother is back in the ocean following an 11-week stint at Brevard Zoo's Sea Turtle Healing Center. The release took place this morning in Satellite Beach.

Brother was brought to the rehabilitation facility in May after they were found stranded in Satellite Beach in a debilitated state by University of Central Florida researchers. Staff treated the patient with fluids, antibiotics, nutritional support and rest.

Green sea turtles are considered endangered due to entanglement in fishing equipment, shrinking beaches, human hunting, pollution and climate change. Individuals who find distressed sea turtles in Brevard County should contact Sea Turtle Preservation Society at 321-206-0646 or Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission at 1-888-404-FWCC.

Photos and video:

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Brevard Zoo is home to more than 900 animals representing 195 species from all over the world. As a not-for-profit organization, it is a leader in the fields of animal wellness, education and conservation. More information is available at www.brevardzoo.org.

Treetop Trek features five aerial obstacle courses that whisk guests above parts of the Zoo and through lush Florida landscapes. More information is available at www.treetoptrek.com.

The Aquarium Project is a plan to construct a world-class aquarium and conservation center at Port Canaveral. More information is available at www.theaquariumproject.org.