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VPD Report Number: 15-04455 Date/Time Occurred: 04/03/2015, 6:40 PM

Type of Incident: Attempted Homicide Location: Demaree/Riggin

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:Age:Arrested:1. Geronimo Garcia22Yes

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Details: On 04/03/15, at about 6:40 PM, Visalia P.D. Patrol Officers responded to the area of Demaree/Riggin Avenue in the City of Visalia regarding a report of shots fired. One person was struck by gun fire and was transported to a local hospital where he was treated and released. The case was forwarded to the Violent Crimes Unit for follow up investigation. The suspect was identified as Geronimo Garcia. On 04/22/15, at about 6:00 PM, members of the Visalia P.D. Gang Suppression Unit conducted a traffic stop and arrested Geronimo Garcia. Geronimo Garcia was later booked into custody at the Tulare County Adult Pretrial Facility for attempted homicide, possession of a firearm and gang enhancement. The motive for this shooting appears to be gang related.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol, Gang Suppression Unit, Supervisor: Sgt. M.Feller

Violent Crimes Unit

