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\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\*
December 8, 2019

**VPD Report Number:** 19-103186 **Date/Time Occurred:** 12-8-19 / 1612 hours

**Type of Incident:** Assault w/ Intent to Commit Rape **Location:** Houston / Demaree (Walmart) parking lot

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect: Age: Arrested:

**1.** WMA, Black beanie cap, grey hoodie 40's No

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**Details:** On 12-8-19 at approximately 1612 hours, Visalia PD patrol officers were dispatched to the area of Houston and Demaree regarding an attempted sexual assault. When officers arrived the adult female victim said she was in the parking lot of Walmart at that location when she was approached on foot by a White Male Adult wearing a black beanie cap, and a grey hoodie. The suspect asked the victim for help regarding his vehicle, and when the victim began placing something in her vehicle, the suspect grabbed her from behind, pulled her pants down, and choked her. The victim began screaming and the suspect left the area in a beige colored, 2 door, stock looking truck. The victim was not injured. The suspect has not been identified at this time and the case has been forwarded to our Violent Crimes Unit for further investigation. If anyone has any information regarding this incident they are urged to call the Visalia PD Anonymous Crime Hotline at 559-713-4738.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol Supervisor: Sgt. Chris Jennings

