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\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\* July 31, 2021

VPD Report Number: 21-063386 **Date/Time Occurred:** 7/31/21 1400 hours

**Type of Incident:** Criminal Threats Arrest **Location:** Visalia Mall

Name of Business (if applicable):

**Suspect:** Arrested: Age: 1. Branden Chamberlain 25 Yes

Details: On the listed date and time, the Visalia Police Department received information that a male posted to social media threats of wanting to harm himself and threatening to commit a shooting at the Visalia Mall. The suspect was contacted at his place of employment and detained. A search warrant was served at the suspect's residence. No firearms were located. The male indicated he had no intent to harm himself or anyone else. The male was arrested and booked into the Tulare County Pre-Trial facility for criminal threats. The investigation is continuing. Anyone with information regarding this incident is urged to contact the Visalia Police Department at (559) 734-8117. Anonymous tips can be left at (559) 713-4738.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** VPD Violent Crimes Unit Supervisor: Sgt. D. Maurice

