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NEWS RELEASE
July 26, 2021

VPD Report Number: 21-062079 Date/Time Occurred: July 26, 2021 at 5:11 p.m.

Type of Incident: Assault with a Deadly Weapon & Location: 100 Block of East Parkview

Criminal Threats

Name of Business (if applicable):

N/A

Suspect:Age:Arrested:1. Afutiti Laumau39Yes

Details:

On July 26, 2021 at 5:11 p.m., officers responded to the 100 block of East Parkview regarding an assault with a deadly weapon in progress. Upon arrival, officers learned that suspect Afutiti Laumau (39), struck two victims with an axe during an altercation. Suspect Laumau also made criminal threats towards one of the victims. Laumau then fled the area in a vehicle prior to officer's arrival.

An officer responding to the incident observed the suspect vehicle in the area of Cain Street and Walnut Avenue. A traffic stop was initiated and Suspect Laumau was arrested without incident.

The victims in this incident sustained minor injuries. Suspect Laumau was booked at the Tulare County Adult Pre-Trial Detention Facility for assault with a deadly weapon and criminal threats.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol **Supervisor:** Sgt. S. O'Rafferty

