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PRESS RELEASE

Releasing Officer: Sergeant Thomas N. O'Neal
Report Number: FG2100042
Date / Time: January 13th, 2021 5:10 p.m.
Location of Incident: 200 Block of N. McPherson Street
Crime or Incident: Felony Warrant Arrest
Suspect: Jeremiah Rapp of Lake County, CA, 44 years of age
Victim: State of California

CIRCUMSTANCES:

On January 13th, 2021, at approximately 5:10 p.m., Officers were dispatched to the 200 Block of N. McPherson Street for the report of a male and female verbally threatening an adult male victim with a firearm. Officers arrived on scene and contacted the victim who advised he was exiting a business in the 200 Block of N. McPherson Street when he was verbally harassed, then threatened by a male and female parked nearby in a vehicle. The victim did not know the identities of the male or female suspects.

While Officers were speaking with the victim, the male and female suspect drove by the scene in their vehicle. The victim identified the suspects and their vehicle as they drove by and Officers conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle.

Officers identified the driver as Jeremiah Rapp and the passenger as Stephanie Coatney-Miller, both of Lake County. A records check revealed Rapp had a felony warrant out of Marin County for Assault with a Deadly Weapon, False Imprisonment, and Intimidating a Victim. During the contact Rapp verbally claimed to be a member of "MS-13" and the Sureños criminal street gang.

When Officers attempted to place Rapp under arrest, he took up a fighting stance and challenged Officers to fight. An on-scene Sergeant was able to persuade Rapp to surrender peacefully. Rapp was taken into custody without further incident.

A search of the suspect vehicle revealed no firearms and the victim declined any prosecution for the initial incident. Rapp was transported to the Mendocino County Jail where he awaits extradition to Marin County.

Questions regarding this press release may be directed to Sergeant O'Neal at 707-961-2800 ext. 167 or at toneal@fortbragg.com