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*****NEWS RELEASE*****

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VPD Report Number: 15-11964

Date/Time Occurred: 8/25/15 2030 hours

Type of Incident:

- Felon in Possession of Loaded/Concealed Firearms
- Felon in Possession of Ammunition
- Possession of an Assault Rifle
- Possession of Stolen Property
- Felony Evading
- Resisting Arrest
- Gang Enhancement

Location: Noble and Ben Maddox
Walnut and Rio Vista

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Luis Manuel Corona	20	Yes
2. Juan Antonio Hinojosa	28	Yes
3. Pedro Lopez	33	Yes
4. Roberto Saldana Jr.	26	Yes
5. Sergio Elias Heredia	22	Yes

Details: On 8/25/15 at approximately 2030 hours, an officer attempted to make a traffic stop on a vehicle for a traffic violation in the area of Noble and Ben Maddox. The vehicle failed to stop and continued eastbound on Noble to southbound McAuliff. The vehicle continued southbound on McAuliff to Walnut and collided into the center median while attempting to turn eastbound onto Walnut. The five occupants in the vehicle fled on foot and were located and arrested.

An assault rifle was located in the vehicle and three handguns were located in the search area. One of the firearms had been reported stolen. (S) Corona required a medical clearance for injuries sustained by a police canine during his



apprehension. All five suspects were booked into the Tulare County Jail for numerous weapons violations, resisting arrest and gang enhancements.

Arresting / Investigating Officer:

Supervisor: R. Epp

