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**\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\***

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### **Man Causes Disruption at Visalia Convention Center, Faces Multiple Charges After Arrest**

At 2:14 p.m., Visalia PD officers responded to a call at the Visalia Convention Center regarding a man attempting to remove a defibrillator from the wall. Convention Center security reported that the suspect began removing his clothes and tried to run down the stairs where a beauty pageant was underway. The Convention Center was immediately evacuated before the man fully undressed and entered a bathroom.

When officers arrived on scene, they attempted to negotiate with the suspect to exit the bathroom, but he refused. They then entered the bathroom, where the suspect resisted but was eventually taken into custody.

The suspect was identified as 31-year-old Gerard Munoz from Fresno. He was taken to Kaweah Health for medical clearance.

Once cleared, Munoz will face charges for resisting arrest (148 PC), vandalism (594 PC), being under the influence of a controlled substance (11550(a) HS), and indecent exposure (314 PC).

