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Arrest Warrant Issued for Beale Street Assault Suspect 19-107

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Twenty-five year-old Austin James Vincent is expected to surrender himself to San Francisco Police on a \$100,000 arrest warrant when he appears in San Francisco Superior Court on Monday, August 19th. The warrant was obtained in connection with an aggravated assault that occurred near 4th and Brannan Streets on the afternoon of February 4, 2019.

Following Vincent's arrest for an assault that occurred on August 11th, a victim from the February 4th incident saw Vincent's booking photo in the news and recognized him. The victim contacted law enforcement and an investigation was initiated.

Investigators from SFPD's Southern Station Investigation Team (SIT) determined that the victim and several friends encountered Vincent as they waited for a ride share. Vincent, armed with a knife, made a threat to kill and advanced on the victim and her friends. The victims ran to their ride share vehicle and eventually left the City. SFPD officers responded to the scene but were unable to locate any of the involved parties.

Upon obtaining an arrest warrant, SFPD officers began surveillance of Vincent who was wearing a court ordered ankle monitor and was receiving treatment in a San Francisco residential facility. Vincent's attorneys arranged for him to surrender at his court appearance.

Vincent is expected to be booked into the San Francisco County Jail.

On Saturday, August 17th, San Francisco Police also began investigations on separate incidents in the Central and Southern Police Districts to determine if Vincent was involved. The victims in these cases also came forward after seeing Vincent's booking photo following his August 11th arrest.

While an arrest has been made, anyone with information or anyone who may have been accosted by Vincent, is asked to call the SFPD 24 hour tip line at 1-415-575-4444 or Text a Tip to TIP411 and begin the message with SFPD. You may remain anonymous.

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