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SFPD Investigators Identify Suspect Arrested in April 22nd Kidnapping Attempt

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On April 22, 2017 at approximately 8:50 PM, San Francisco Police officers from Northern Station responded to an attempted kidnapping on the 2800 block of Steiner Street. The male suspect exited his car and grabbed the victim, a 31-year-old female. Witnesses intervened and the suspect fled in his vehicle, a silver Nissan pickup truck.

Members of San Francisco Police Department's Northern and Central Police Stations as well as the Investigations Bureau worked diligently throughout the night and into the next day to identify the suspect and vehicle.

On April 23rd, SFPD officers responded to Sonoma County where they located the suspect driving his vehicle in the city of Cotati. The SFPD officers followed the vehicle and requested assistance from the California Highway Patrol (CHP). When CHP officers attempted to pull over the vehicle, the suspect fled. He was arrested after colliding with another motorist in the city of Petaluma. The occupants of the other vehicle sustained non-life threatening injuries.

The suspect was identified as Darrin Bravo, a 46-year-old Cotati resident. He was booked into San Francisco County Jail on felony charges of attempted kidnapping.

The quick arrest in this incident is directly attributable to the intervention of witnesses who interrupted the kidnapping attempt and provided valuable information to responding officers, as well as the diligent efforts by numerous members of the San Francisco Police Department who were able to identify the suspect and locate him in another jurisdiction less than 24 hours after the initial incident.

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