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San Francisco Police Arrest Suspect Who Assaulted Police Officers 22-060

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On April 26, 2022, at approximately 9:37 p.m. SFPD officers were notified of a stolen vehicle that was involved in multiple recent auto burglaries in the area of Grant Ave. and Green St. Officers responded to the area and located the stolen vehicle being driven. Officers attempted to affect a traffic stop, but the vehicle failed to yield and fled from the officers without the officers in pursuit. Officers broadcasted over the radio the description of the fleeing stolen vehicle. Officers at Union and Montgomery Streets observed the stolen vehicle drive into a dead end and began driving out. As the stolen vehicle was driving out of the dead-end the vehicle rammed into the officer's marked police vehicle.

The stolen vehicle continued to drive and at Alta and Montgomery Streets it rammed into a 2nd marked police vehicle that was occupied, causing injuries to one of the officers. The vehicle continued to flee while officers pursued the suspect. The vehicle drove to Columbus Ave. and Broadway where it struck an occupied vehicle, which caused injuries. At this location, the suspect exited the vehicle and fled on foot as officers continued the pursuit on foot. Officers stopped the suspect at Pacific Ave. and Beckett St. where he was placed into handcuffs. Officers searched the stolen vehicle which contained a large capacity ammunition magazine.

Officers developed probable cause to arrest the 24-year-old suspect identified as Robert Sonza of San Francisco. Sonza was later transported to San Francisco County Jail where he was booked for driving a stolen vehicle (10851(a) CVC), in possession of stolen property (496D (a) PC), two counts of evading a police officer in a vehicle (2800.1 CVC), three counts of assault by means likely to cause great bodily injury (245(a)(4) PC), hit & run with injury (20001(a) CVC), reckless evading (2800.2 CVC), four counts possession of large-capacity magazine (32310(a) PC), reckless driving (23103 CVC), six counts hit & run (20002(a) CVC), two counts running a red light (21453 CVC), speeding (22350(a) CVC), three counts of running a stop sign (22450(a) CVC).

While an arrest has been made this remains an open investigation. Anyone with information regarding this investigation is asked to call the SFPD Tip Line at [1-415-575-4444](tel:1-415-575-4444) or Text a Tip to [TIP411](sms:TIP411) and begin the text message with SFPD. You may remain anonymous.

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