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PRESS RELEASE

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Suspect Arrested for Felony Evading Police in a Stolen Vehicle

Pacifica, CA – On January 9, 2023 at approximately 9:43 AM officers responded to the 200 block of Gateway Drive on the report of a stolen vehicle. Officers located the stolen vehicle as it was leaving the parking area of a local apartment complex. As additional police officers responded, a traffic stop was initiated. The driver of the stolen vehicle refused to yield, and led officers on a pursuit from Pacifica to Daly City. The driver of the stolen vehicle, later identified as 26-year-old Alejandro Martinez of Stockton, California, collided with a guardrail and eventually yielded to officers on the southbound I-280 off ramp at Serramonte Boulevard. Officers from the Colma and South San Francisco Police Departments also provided assistance at the scene.

Officers directed Alejandro Martinez and the other occupant to exit the vehicle. They refused to comply, and officers initiated negotiations with the occupants. After approximately 50 minutes of negotiating, Alejandro Martinez exited the vehicle and was taken into custody without further incident.

A female passenger was located inside the vehicle and was transported to a local area hospital for medical evaluation of non-life-threatening injuries sustained from the collision. This collision investigation is being conducted by the California Highway Patrol.

Alejandro Martinez was arrested for violation of 496D(A)CVC, possession of a stolen vehicle and 2800.3 CVC, felony evading police resulting in injuries. He was subsequently booked into county jail for the aforementioned charges. He is on San Mateo County probation for a previous conviction for auto theft.

Anyone with information regarding this case is encouraged to contact the Pacifica Police Department at 650-738-7314, refer to Case 23-0054.

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