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NEWS RELEASE

On 12/30/12, at about 12:50 PM, officers with the Eureka Police Department were dispatched to a possible "Car Jacking" that occurred at the 1100 block of 5th St. The victim stated that he was approached by a black male adult, in his early 20's, who brandished a knife and demanded his car keys. The victim turned his car keys over to the suspect, who then fled the area in the victims red Ford Taurus.

At about 2:37 PM, the Eureka Police Department received a call regarding the theft of a cellular phone from the 3100 block of Pine St. The victim in this case said that a black male adult, in his late teens or early 20's, approached her in his red Ford sedan and asked if he could use her cellular phone. When she handed the subject her phone to presumably make a call, the suspect fled in his vehicle.

At about 3:30 PM, an officer with the Eureka Police Department spotted the stolen Ford Taurus near the intersection of Harris and California streets. As soon as the driver of the stolen vehicle saw the officer, he attempted to flee and a vehicle pursuit ensued. Due to the high speeds and reckless acts of the suspect, the officer quickly terminated the pursuit in the area of 'A' and Trinity streets.

Moments after terminating the pursuit, a citizen called in reporting that a suspect had just crashed into his car at Hawthorne and 'A' streets. Officers, who were obviously already in the area, quickly discovered that the crash involved the stolen Ford Taurus. A short foot pursuit ensued with the suspect, who was apprehended in a nearby alley.

During a search of the suspect, after his arrest, the stolen cellular phone from the Pine St. detail was found in his pants pocket.

The suspect, who was identified as Marquis Madden, was taken into custody and transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility. Madden was charged with Car Jacking, Robbery, Possession of Stolen Property, Auto Theft, Hit and Run and Probation Violations.

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Marquis Madden

