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BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT

200 North Third Street, Burbank, CA 91502

OFFICIAL NEWS RELEASE

ARMED ROBBERY SUSPECTS ARRESTED FOR ATTEMPTED MURDER

DATE: April 27, 2017

Burbank, California – The Burbank Police Department has arrested two suspects responsible for an armed robbery of a donut shop in Burbank and several other robberies in Los Angeles County.

On March 22, 2017, at about 5:25 a.m., Burbank Police responded to Kim's Donuts & Coffee, located at 403 North Victory Boulevard, regarding an armed robbery that just occurred. The owner of the donut shop, a 45-year-old man, said two suspects wearing hooded sweatshirts and masks entered the store, one of which was armed with a handgun. The victim was held at gunpoint while one of the suspects removed property from the victim's pockets. The victim managed to grab the handgun and became involved in a physical struggle with both suspects. During the struggle, one of the suspects pointed the handgun towards the victim's chest and pulled the trigger; however, the gun did not fire. The victim suffered minor injuries as a result of the struggle.

Burbank Police Detectives responded to the scene and recovered pieces of evidence which were left behind by the suspects. These items were forensically-examined and led to the identity of the gunman, who has been identified as Timothy Hayes, a 20-year-old man from Los Angeles. Detectives also identified a vehicle used in the crime and linked to the second suspect. That suspect has been identified as Unique Rivers, a 20-year-old woman, also from Los Angeles.

Burbank Police Investigators began working with investigators from the Glendale and Los Angeles Police Departments and learned that both Hayes and Rivers were connected to four other armed robberies in Los Angeles County, as well as one commercial burglary. One of these robberies occurred in the city of Glendale just minutes before the Burbank donut shop robbery.

On April 26, 2017, at about 6:50 PM, the Burbank Police Department Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT), with the assistance of Glendale Police Department SWAT, responded to the 4500 block of Ascot Avenue in Los Angeles to serve arrest and search warrants on a residence where it was believed Hayes and Rivers were. Within a short period of time, both Hayes and Rivers were detained at the residence and placed under arrest.

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A search of the residence recovered additional evidence, including clothing worn by the suspects during the commission of the robbery.

On April 27, 2017, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office filed one count of attempted murder against Hayes and Rivers. In addition, Hayes and Rivers have been charged with five counts of robbery and six counts of burglary. They are both being held on \$1.3 million bail and are due in Burbank Superior Court today.

The additional counts stem from Hayes' and Rivers' involvement in the following crimes:

- March 22, 2017: an armed robbery of an Arco Gas Station, located at 5800 San Fernando Road in the city of Glendale.
- March 20, 2017: an armed robbery of Yum Yum Donuts, located at 606 West Glenoaks Boulevard in the city of Glendale.
- March 20, 2017: an armed robbery of Daily Donuts, located at 1908 Hillhurst Avenue in the city of Los Angeles.
- February 16, 2017: an armed robbery of Honey Donuts, located at 1883 Daly Street in the city of Los Angeles.
- February 16, 2017: a commercial burglary at Rite-Optics Optometry, located at 5591 Huntington Drive in the city of Los Angeles.

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