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ARREST MADE IN JANUARY 10 MURDER

(San Diego) San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives have arrested the suspect in the January 10, 2009 murder of Christopher Hawthorne in the Morena neighborhood.

On Saturday morning, at 12:50 a.m., Hawthorne was attending a live music performance at O'Connell's Bar, 1310 Morena Boulevard, when he became involved in an argument in the parking lot. The suspect chased Hawthorne to the corner of Savannah Street and Morena Boulevard (one block away) and shot Hawthorne to death.

Detectives identified a 17-year-old male from Los Angeles as the suspect. This afternoon, at approximately 1:05 p.m., SDPD detectives arrested the suspect in the 1200 block of North Cornwell Street in the Boyle Heights neighborhood of Los Angeles. The suspect will be transported back to San Diego and booked into Juvenile Hall.

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