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ARREST MADE IN SEXUAL ASSAULT IN LITTLE ITALY

San Diego- On Sunday, October 14, 2018, at approximately 04:33 a.m., San Diego Police Communications was contacted regarding a sexual assault in the 1700 block of India Street. San Diego Police Central Division officers responded to the scene.

Through the investigation, an unknown white male entered the establishment while the victim went about her janitorial duties. The suspect pushed the victim into a back room where he attempted to sexually assault her with the use of a weapon. The victim was able to fight the suspect and run out of the business. The suspect who had taken the victim's car keys fled northbound 1700 India Street in the victim's vehicle, a tan 1998 GMC Jimmy CA 7UOY594.

The San Diego Police Department Sex Crimes Unit was called to the scene and conducted the investigation.

On Monday, October 15, 2018, at about 1:30 p.m., Christopher Merron (28 years old) was arrested in the 2100 Block of Fenton Parkway in the City of San Diego. He will be booked in County Jail on chargers including 220 (a)(1) PC-Assault With Intent To Commit A Sex Crime, 243.4 (a) PC-Sexual Battery, 236 PC-False Imprisonment, 460 (B) PC-Burglary, 417 PC-Brandishing A Deadly Weapon, 422 PC-Criminal Threats and 10851 CVC-Auto Theft. The stolen vehicle has been recovered. The weapon used was also recovered.

Anyone with information is asked to call the SDPD's Sex Crimes Unit at (619) 531-2210 or the Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888) 580-8477.

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