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**Police Investigate String of Armed Robberies**

San Diego- Over the past six weeks, several armed take-over style robberies have occurred throughout the City of San Diego. These crimes are extremely concerning because of the potential for violence and loss of life. Based on the suspect descriptions and actions, we believe at least ten of these robberies in the City of San Diego have been committed by the same group. We also believe this same suspect group are responsible for robberies in other jurisdictions.

The robberies have occurred at convenience stores, typically in the late evening hours. The suspects have been described as young Black and Hispanic males wearing hooded sweatshirts and masks. They enter the stores in groups ranging from one to four and brandish firearms at the clerk, while demanding money and products. In some of the cases, cash drawers and registers have been taken.

The San Diego Police Department is asking for the public's assistance in identifying the suspects involved to prevent any further robberies. Anyone with information can contact the Robbery Unit directly, or they can report information anonymously through Crime Stoppers. Thankfully, there have been no injuries so far, but there is always a high potential for violence in these types of crimes.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Robbery Unit at (619) 531-2299 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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