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Suspect Identified and Arrested in Gaslamp Double-Shooting

San Diego – A man is in police custody as two bystanders visiting from out of town continue to recover from last week's shooting in the Gaslamp Quarter. Just after 10:30 p.m. on Friday, June 24th, a fight broke out near 5th Avenue and F Street. The fight escalated to gunfire and two uninvolved women were struck, before the suspects escaped. Officers quickly arrived on-scene, provided medical aid, and began the investigation. Detectives recently identified 25-year-old Johnza Watson as the suspected shooter.

Last night, San Diego Police officers working in the Gaslamp Quarter responded to a report of an assault in the area of 600 5th Avenue. They located five suspects and arrested them. Watson was part of this group. Police arrested Watson for his role in last night's assault and for attempted murder and assault with a firearm in last Friday's shooting.

Detectives would like to interview anyone who can provide information related to either case.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to call the SDPD or Crime Stoppers, (888) 580-8477.

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