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NEWS RELEASE

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Attempted Murder

Ceres, California – On May 5, 2012, at about 8 PM, Ceres Police Officers responded to the intersection of Giddings Road and Paramount Avenue in Ceres for a stabbing.

Officers found a 29 year old Ceres man with a serious, life-threatening stab wound to the right side of his neck. The victim was transported to a local hospital by ambulance where he received medical treatment. The victim survived his injury and is considered to be in stable condition. The victim's identity is not being released for his safety.

Statements from the victim and witnesses led investigators to the suspect's location in a nearby backyard. **Angel Rivera, 20 yrs**, out of Ceres, was arrested and booked into the Stanislaus County Jail for attempted murder.

This incident appears to be gang-related, and investigators are not releasing any further details at this time, as this is an ongoing investigation. However, they are requesting that anyone with information on this incident call Detective Tonya Smith at (209) 538-5729 or Stanislaus Area Crime Stoppers at:

Stanislaus Area Crime Stoppers.

Phone number: 1-866-60-CRIME

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