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MICHAEL D. AVERY, Chief of Police

## Press Release

**DATE OF INCIDENT: February 9th, 2007**

**TYPE OF INCIDENT: Attempted Murder, Assault w/ a deadly weapon, Poss. of Narcotics, Poss. Of Narcotics Paraphernalia, under the influence of Dangerous drugs.**

**LOCATION OCCURRED: 1520 S. Mahan.**

**SUSPECT: BEITNES, Jay Marvin-24 YOA-Ridgecrest Resident**

**VICTIM: BEITNES, Brian - Ridgecrest Resident**

On February 9, 2007 at approximately 0900 hrs, Ridgecrest Police Dispatcher Kamiya received a frantic 911 call of an assault with a knife at the listed location. During the call the female caller stated the suspect, her son, had stabbed his father with a knife.

Officer Podell arrived on scene first to see the suspect, now outside struggling with the female. Officer Marrone and Atkins arrived seconds later. The suspect, identified as Jay BEITNES, was holding a cordless phone and what appeared to be a knife. Multiple commands were given to the suspect to stop and drop the items as he paced back and forth between the officers. He was shot with a Taser device and taken into custody without injury.

The victim, Brian BEITNES, the suspect's father, was stabbed once on the neck with a 3 inch bladed, hunting type knife. He was transported to Ridgecrest Regional hospital by Liberty ambulance for treatment.

The suspect was found to be in possession and under the influence of a controlled substance, as well as paraphernalia. The suspect, who does not live at the location, remained combative and non compliant with Officers and was transported to RRH for treatment, then to Central receiving facility, Bakersfield where he was booked and remains in custody.

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**PREPARED BY: Sgt. R. Obergfell**

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