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TYPE OF CRIME: Sex Crime

LOCATION: Joseph Grant Park- 18405 Mt. Hamilton Road San Jose, California

CASE NUMBER: 16-193-0473P

DETAILS:

On 07/12/2018, at approximately 9pm, the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office began a criminal investigation into an inappropriate relationship between an underage female and her badminton coach. The coach, Khankham Malaythong, of Synergy Badminton in Menlo Park was discovered by Santa Clara County Park Rangers seated in his 2018 Maserati SUV in Joseph Grant Park after park hours. Also, seated in the vehicle was his 17 year old student.

Patrol deputies responded and determined Malaythong was 37 years old and the female victim had recently turned 17 years old. Deputies conducted interviews and collected evidence at the scene.

Khankham Malaythong of San Jose was arrested at the scene and booked into the Santa Clara County Main Jail on multiple charges. The charges include Annoy/Molest a Minor and a Sexual Assault related crime. He was released after posting bail.

The investigation is still ongoing and no further information will be provided at this time. Investigators do not have any evidence of additional victims. However, Sheriff's Office Investigators are asking any other Victims or persons with information regarding the above case to contact the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office Detective Unit at 408-808-4500.

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