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PRESS RELEASE

CASE: 09-9447

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(ARREST OF COMBATIVE SUBJECT)

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On Wednesday, February 11, 2009, at approximately 1:46 a.m., officers of the Redding Police Department responded to an apartment complex located in the 3600 block of Churn Creek Road in regards to a disturbance incident. A resident of the complex had called 911 to report an uninvited acquaintance had arrived at her apartment acting incoherent and violent. This subject left the apartment, but not before shattering a television set with his fist.

Upon arrival, officers observed the suspect, later identified as Nicholas Thomas Hyatt, 20 years of Redding, running into the roadway of Churn Creek Road while yelling incoherently.

Hyatt refused to obey commands to leave the roadway, and became violent, kicking at one of the patrol vehicles. A department taser was deployed, but Hyatt continued to resist. He, however, was finally subdued with the use of a baton strike and control holds.

Hyatt was arrested for charges of felony vandalism, being under the influence of a controlled substance, and for resisting arrest. He was then transported to Shasta Regional Medical Center for a medical evaluation.

Due to an apparent drug induced condition, resulting in his admission to the ICU section of the hospital, Hyatt was released from custody pending criminal charges to be filed by the Shasta County District Attorney's Office.

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