Graffiti Artist Arrested

Arrested Suspect: Jared Hernandez, DOB 12/02/1986 of 1510 35th Street North, St. Petersburg (booking photo attached)

On January 16th 2015 we released surveillance video of a suspect wanted in several cases of criminal mischief in which graffiti art was spray painted on several downtown businesses (see previous release). As a result Hernandez was identified as the perpetrator.

Hernandez was arrested by detectives this morning outside his home and was subsequently transported to the Pinellas County jail where he was booked on 6 counts of criminal mischief. Hernandez refused to make any statement to detectives.

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St. Pete Police seek Graffiti Artist

Video Link: http://youtu.be/wlxS4L1y_Fk

St. Petersburg police investigators are asking the public to help them identify a graffiti artist who is caught on video defacing a building.

The latest incident occurred Tuesday, January 13 at 5AM at the Lucky Dill Restaurant, 277 Central Ave., St. Petersburg.

The artist spray painted the word Av8r’ or aviator on the wall. He has struck other times using this same tag’
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throughout the city.

If arrested, he could face a $118 fine for city ordinance violation, or a criminal mischief (misdemeanor) charge and restitution.

If you have information, please call Det. Krickler at 893-4282, or text SPPD and your message to TIP411.

Jared Hernandez