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Attempt Homicide 518 3rd Avenue South  #813

It's not mention the release, but the victim and the suspect were acquainted prior to the assault.

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Incident:    Attempt Homicide
Location:      518 3rd Avenue South  #813
Date / Time of Incident:  1/31/15 @ 2105 HRS

Victim(s): Richard Bayliss W/M, 11/25/69
LKA 513 3rd Avenue South #813

Suspect:  James Michael Alexander W/M, 03/05/60
LKA 6103 Mirada Cir
Charges:  Attempt 2nd Degree Murder

Brief Description of Incident:

Detectives are currently investigating an attempt homicide that occurred at 513 3rd Avenue South. The victim, Richard Bayliss, was stabbed multiple times all over his body with a knife and the victim was transported to Bayfront Hospital with serious injuries. The suspect, James Alexander, fled from the scene and was apprehended a short time later covered in blood in the 200 block of Central Avenue. This appears to be over the theft of a wallet and prescription medication. The victim is expected to survive his injuries at this time.

The victim's family has been notified and his name can be released to the general public.

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