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SUSPECT INVOLVED IN ROSCOE'S RESTAURANT ROBBERY IDENTIFIED AND ARRESTED

Pasadena, CA – On Wednesday, February 3, 2021, at approximate 5:40 pm, Officers from the Pasadena Police Department responded to Roscoe's House of Chicken & Waffles located at 830 N. Lake Ave. regarding an armed robbery that had just occurred. Prior to officers' arrival, the suspect had fled the scene in a dark colored, 4-door sedan. The restaurant employees described the suspect as a thin, Black male who was approximately 6'-1" tall and in his mid-30's.

Officers searched the area for the suspect and vehicle, but neither were immediately located. A preliminary investigation revealed the suspect had engaged in a verbal argument with an employee over the restaurant's facial covering requirement. The suspect refused to comply and for unknown reasons, produced a handgun while threatening the employees. The suspect demanded a bag of food items and after receiving the filled bag, he took this food and several other food orders, which were waiting for customers to pick up. He then fled the location in the described vehicle.

The restaurant's surveillance cameras recorded the incident and officers collected the video as well as other evidentiary items. Pasadena Police Detectives have worked tirelessly since the robbery occurred and identified the suspect as **Steve Carlos Williams**, a 43-year old Duarte resident. The Los Angeles County Sheriff's department arrested Mr. Williams on unrelated charges, several days after the Roscoe's House of Chicken & Waffles robbery.

This case was presented to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office on Friday, February 26, 2021. Suspect Williams was charged with two counts of Robbery and two counts of Assault with a Firearm. His bail was set at \$125,000 dollars. His arraignment was Friday, February 26, 2021.

Pasadena Police is urging anyone with information about this case to call the Pasadena Police at (626) 744-4241 or you may report information anonymously by calling "Crime Stoppers" by dialing (800) 222-TIPS (8477), use your smartphone by downloading the "P3 Tips" Mobile APP on Google play or the Apple App Store or by using the website <http://lacrimestoppers.org>.

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