Date: April 19, 2024 To: Campus Community

From: Nader Oweis, Chief of Police

Re: TIMELY WARNING CRIME BULLETIN: Stalking (646.9 PC; Case 24-068)

This Timely Warning Bulletin is being issued in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Act, and the purpose is to provide preventative information to the campus community to aid members from becoming the victim of a similar crime.

## **REPORTED CRIME:**

The Sonoma State University Police Department is seeking community assistance in determining if there are any additional victims or witnesses to this incident.

On April 18, 2024, at approximately 2:45 p.m., officers were dispatched to the area of the soccer field regarding a male subject who was following women and making them feel uncomfortable. Upon arrival, officers located the subject, and based on victim and witness statements subsequently arrested the subject for stalking. He was booked into the Sonoma County Jail.

The subject, who is not affiliated with the campus, is a Hispanic male, 37 years old, with short dark hair, approximately 5'10" tall, and weighing 180 pounds. He was wearing a black sweatshirt, black jacket, and dark gray pants. He was also riding a black electric bicycle with bright orange tape on the front.

**If you know something:** Anyone with information that might assist with this investigation is urged to call the Sonoma State University Police Department at 707-664-4444.

The Sonoma State University Police Department reminds the campus community of the following safety tips:

- Immediately and promptly report any suspected crime, suspicious persons, or activities on campus to University Police by calling 911 or the non-emergency line at 707-664-4444 or by utilizing one of the many Blue Light Phones on campus.
- Call Sonoma State University Police for an on-campus safety escort.
- If you believe that you or someone else is in an unsafe situation, please do not delay calling 911 or seeking assistance from others.
- Be alert to your surroundings. Your actions as an active bystander can help prevent crimes from occurring within our campus community.

You are not at fault for any harm done to you. The above safety tips are not intended to imply otherwise.

**Support Resources**: Counseling and Psychological Services are available for any student seeking support at 707-664-2153. A Confidential Advocate is also available at 707-664-2698. Our Employee Assistance Program, LifeMatters by Empathia, is available as a support resource for staff and faculty at 1-800-367-7474. Physical descriptions of a suspect or subject, including race or gender, are included in timely warnings only when they provide several details that might help distinguish the suspect's or subject's appearance from the general population.

Crimes reportable under the Clery Act are defined on the Clery Compliance website.