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INFORMATION RELEASE

Subject: Assault Third Degree/Edged Weapon **Date: Tuesday, November 20, 2007**

From: Sgt Steve D. Hernandez **Case or Incident #2007-040213**

Summary:

On 11/20/07, at approximately 8:22 pm, the Juneau Police Department received a call from an adult male who stated that he had just been assaulted by another male. The caller said the incident had occurred in front of one of the downtown bars. The caller further requested medical assistance due to the severity of his injuries.

Upon arrival, JPD officers contacted 48-year old Woodrow FRALIX, a local resident. He was found to have minor injuries to his face. He was evaluated by Capitol City Fire and Rescue personnel then transported to Bartlett Regional Hospital ER for treatment.

Officers located and interviewed the other party to the fight who was identified as a 46-year old local male. After interviewing both combatants and other witnesses, it was determined, that FRALIX had allegedly instigated the fight with the other male. During the altercation, FRALIX had sustained the injuries to his face from being struck by the other male with his fists. FRALIX then brandished a large ten-inch hunting knife from a scabbard on his belt. FRALIX then allegedly swung the knife at the other male, cutting the other male's leather jacket.

The other male was able to disarm FRALIX of the knife and hand it to a third party. The knife was later seized into evidence.

FRALIX was later released from BRH ER and subsequently placed under arrest for Assault in the Third Degree (class C felony). He was also served an outstanding, unrelated arrest warrant and lodged at Lemon Creek Correctional Center.

Any charges reported in this press release are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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