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UPDATE: Rainbow Market Robbery Suspect in Custody

WHEN: Arrest made evening of January 15, 2010
Robbery January 14, 2010, in the early morning hours

WHERE: Rainbow Market, 4695 Sun Valley Blvd.

SUSPECT: Erik Joseph Barajas, 21, resident of Reno
(Booking number 10-1086)

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January 15, 2010 - Detectives have a Reno man in custody in connection with yesterday's robbery of the Rainbow Market in Sun Valley. With the help of the Regional Gang Unit, Erik Joseph Barajas, 21, was arrested without incident and was booked into the Washoe County Detention Facility at approximately 8:20 PM. He is charged with Robbery, Assault with a Deadly Weapon and Discharge of a Firearm in a Congested Area. Bail is set at \$6,850.

Released January 14, 2010 - Washoe County Sheriff's Detectives are seeking information regarding a robbery that occurred in the early morning hours, January 14, 2010, at the Rainbow Market on Sun Valley Boulevard.

At approximately 12:40 AM, a Hispanic male entered the store and took 2 twelve packs of beer before leaving the store without paying. The Clerk confronted him in front of the store at which time the suspect produced a handgun. He then shot multiple times, ran to a nearby vehicle and drove away.

It is believed that the suspect had entered the store earlier the same night with an associate shown here in these attached photos.

The Regional Gang Unit is assisting detectives in this investigation. Detectives ask anyone with information to please contact 328-3320 or Secret Witness at 322-4900.

