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Sexual Assault Warrants Issued

FLORISSANT, MO- On Thursday, April 4th the St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney's Office issued warrants for 2 counts of Robbery 1st, 1 count of Kidnapping, 1 count of Attempted Kidnapping, 1 count of Attempted Sodomy, 1 count of Rape, 2 counts of Sodomy, and 1 count of Stealing a Motor Vehicle on:

Temetrius Cross

Black Male 09/15/1999

10000 blk of Count Drive

St. Louis County, Mo 63136

On April 2nd at approximately 12:30 am officers were dispatched to the 2500 blk of Dove in reference to a motor vehicle theft. The victim stated that she was in her vehicle in her driveway when she was approached by Cross.

As the victim was exiting her vehicle the suspect approached her, displaying a firearm. The victim was forced back into the vehicle and was taken to a nearby bank where she was forced to withdraw money from an ATM. The victim was then taken to an adjacent apartment complex where she was sexually assaulted by Cross. The victim was then

released in a different apartment complex near Morningaire Circle and North Hanley Road in Hazelwood.

Through the investigation by the Florissant Police Department, Cross was developed as a suspect.

While investigating the above incident, Florissant Investigators reviewed older cases for any similarities as well as contacting neighboring jurisdictions to inquire if they have had similar instances. Florissant Investigators determined a separate on-going investigation had distinct similarities to the above mentioned incident.

Cross was located, arrested and is and is being held at the St. Louis County Jail on a \$250,000.00 Cash Only Bond.

In that incident, a twenty-two year old female reported that on 03/02/2019 in the 800 blk of Southwell, a black male approached her while she was sitting in her vehicle. The male displayed a handgun, and forced her to open the door. The male demanded money and a ring that she was wearing, and the victim complied. The male then sexually assaulted the female before attempting to force her back into the victim's vehicle. When the male was unsuccessful, he fled the area on foot.

During the course of the investigation, another agency has found similar crimes in their jurisdiction fit Cross' pattern, and are investigating if he is responsible for those crimes as well.

The Florissant Police Department committed a large number of resources to investigating these incidents, and utilized over 100 hours of investigative time to take this dangerous repeat offender off the streets. It was due to the hard work by Florissant Investigators, as well as the cooperation and communication between law enforcement agencies and the St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney's Office that has helped prevent further assaults, while bringing a sense of closure to the victims.

The Florissant Police Department remains committed to the safety of our residents and we want to reassure the community that we will do everything we can to continue to be one of the safest cities in St. Louis County.

See Temetrius Cross' booking photo below.

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