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On Friday, July 10, 2020, at approximately [8:20 p.m.](#), South Pasadena Police Officers responded to the area of Fremont Avenue and Lyndon Street for a reported battery suspect being detained. When officers arrived, they learned the suspect was the same suspect from the previous July 8th spitting incident at Fair Oaks Avenue and Mission Street. In that incident, the suspect engaged in a verbal argument with the victim and spit on her.

It was determined the victim, a "Black Lives Matter" protestor, was at Fair Oaks Avenue and Mission Street when she saw the suspect riding his bicycle nearby. The victim recognized and followed him to the area of Fremont Avenue and Lyndon Street. At this point the suspect threw a rock, striking the victim in the leg. The victim and several witnesses were able to corner the suspect preventing him from leaving until officers arrived.

The suspect, identified as 56-year-old Joe Richcreek of Los Angeles, was arrested without incident. The case will be presented to the Los Angeles County District Attorney for filing.

Anyone with additional information is encouraged to call the South Pasadena Police Department at [626-403-7270](tel:626-403-7270).

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