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SUFFOLK POLICE INVESTIGATING ATTEMPTED COMMERCIAL ROBBERY

SUFFOLK, Virginia (August 6, 2016) The Suffolk Police Department is investigating an attempted commercial robbery that occurred earlier this morning at the 7-11 located at the intersection of Portsmouth Boulevard and Nansemond Parkway.

Emergency Communications was advised of the incident at 4:25 a.m. when they received a call for a suspicious person at the location.

Upon preliminary investigation it was found that a black male wearing an unknown cloth item over his face ran in the store and asked the clerk to come to him at the register. No weapon was displayed. When the clerk refused, the male fled on foot toward Nansemond Parkway.

The subject was further described as approximately 5'6 to 5'7", weighing between 200 and 225 pounds, and was wearing dark shorts, a white sleeveless t-shirt, and a gray and white cloth over his face. No weapon was observed. Surveillance video photos are attached.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Line at 1-888-Lock-U-UpSM. When calling Crime Line, callers do not have to give their names or appear in court. Citizens can also utilize TipSoft to anonymously submit crime-related tips

through the Web, a text message, or from any Android or iPhone mobile device with the [TipSubmit mobile app](#). Tips can be submitted by visiting www.tipsubmit.com, or by texting the word “**CRIMES**” (274637) with the keyword **SPDVATIP**. TipSoft also supports users’ ability to submit videos or photos using the TipSoft mobile app. If information leads to an arrest, the caller or “tipster” could qualify for a reward of up to \$1,000.

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