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**PRESS RELEASE – CASE # 21-0809**

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**Date:** May 9, 2021

**Location:** 600 block of S. Orchard Ave. Ukiah, CA.

**Suspect:** Isaac Joseph Gonzales, 39-year-old male of Fresno

<b>Violations:</b>	11378 HS	(Possess Controlled Substance for Sale)
	11379(a) HS	(Transport Controlled Substance for Sale)
	11370.1 HS	(Possess Controlled Substance While Armed with a Firearm)
	29800(a)(1) PC	(Possession of Firearm by Prohibited Person)
	148(a)(1) PC	(Resist Arrest)
	14601.1(a) VC	(Drive While License Suspended)
	12022(a)(1) PC	(Armed While in Commission of a Felony)

On 5/9/21 at approximately 0155 hours, a UPD officer observed a vehicle traveling in front of him in the 600 block of S. Orchard Ave. The officer observed the vehicle did not have a license plate lamp as required by the California Vehicle Code. The officer activated his patrol vehicles overhead emergency lights and initiated a traffic enforcement stop. The driver of the vehicle yielded in the parking lot of the Super 8 Motel.

The officer contacted the driver (Isaac Gonzales) as he sat in the driver's seat of the vehicle. Gonzales advised the officer his driver's license was suspended. The officer provided Gonzales' identifying information to UPD Dispatch and UPD Dispatch confirmed Gonzales' driver's license was in fact suspended.

A second UPD officer arrived at the location to assist with the traffic stop. The officers asked Gonzales to step out of the vehicle. Gonzales refused to step out of the vehicle and began reaching his hands towards the waistband of his pants. The officers reached into the vehicle and took control of Gonzales' wrists. Gonzales exited the vehicle and attempted to break free from the officer's grasp. A struggle ensued and Gonzales was taken to the ground by the officers. The Officers noted that Gonzales repeatedly reached



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for the waistband of his pants and continued to resist throughout the altercation. As the officer's fought with Gonzales a loaded Springfield XD 9mm pistol fell out of the waistband of Gonzales' pants and onto the ground.

Two more UPD officers arrived a short time later and Gonzales was taken into custody. A search incident to arrest found Gonzales to be in possession of 16.6 ounces of methamphetamine and \$2,200.00.

A record check revealed Gonzales was a convicted felon and prohibited from possessing a firearm.

Gonzales was arrested for the above listed charges and booked at the MCSO Jail.

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