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STATEMENT

SAN FRANCISCO - Supervisor Rafael Mandelman released the following statement on Sunday's violent attack in the Castro.

"The apparently unprovoked attack in the Castro Sunday evening is alarming and infuriating."

"Everyone, resident or tourist, should feel safe in the Castro. The news that the suspect had 18 prior criminal cases confirms people's worst suspicion that San Francisco and California are failing to do what we need to do to keep our neighborhoods safe and dangerous people off our streets."

"I am grateful to the first responders who acted quickly - ambulance and police responded within minutes. My office has been in touch with the Police Department and District Attorney to ensure that justice is done in this case."

"I have supported and continue to support Mayor Lurie's efforts to restore order in some of our most troubled neighborhoods. However, it seems plain to me that these efforts have led to displacement of people with severe mental health and substance abuse challenges to the Castro. This cannot continue."

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