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Supervisor Gordon Mar and SFPD Capt. Nick Rainsford discuss safety with Sunset merchants

[San Francisco] Supervisor Gordon Mar joined new SFPD Taraval Station Capt. Rainsford and volunteers from SF SAFE for a walk down Irving St. to raise awareness and share tips on community safety.

“Strong communities are safe communities” said Mar, “and small businesses are integral to keeping our communities strong.”

Supervisor Mar and SFPD reached out to community members to raise awareness about blessing scams, and discussed the recent brutal attack against an 88-year-old woman in Visitacion Valley.

“Blessing scams frequently target seniors in the Chinese community, and I will continue to work with Capt Rainsford to build community awareness and prevent these crimes” said Mar.

Referencing the burglary that led to the Visitacion Valley attack, Mar said “the home invasion really hit home for me -- there have been two home invasions on my block recently, and my next door neighbor was burglarized two days after the Election.”

SFPD recently made an arrest in connection to the Visitacion Valley attack, with Mar sharing that he’s “grateful to the Taraval Station officers who contributed to keeping our community safe.”