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## Witness: Man Attacked Pit Bulls

*Woman Said She Saw Pit Bulls Attacked In Prairie Village*

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**PRAIRIE VILLAGE, Kan.** -- A woman said she saw pit bulls attacked in a Prairie Village grocery store parking lot last week.

Jennifer Bain said she saw the attack outside the HyVee on State Line Road. "I was enraged," she said.

Bain said that while the pit bulls' owners shopped, she saw a man approach their car and stick his hands inside. She said that at first, the man seemed affectionate. Then he started hitting them and screaming at them, she said.

"I saw the guy hanging all over the dogs and reaching in their vehicle. And then he began to hit one of them in the face. That's when I stepped out of the car and asked what he was doing, and he told me to mind my own business," Bain said.

Zeus, a foster dog, was in a car with two other pit bulls, May and Bear, the dogs' owners said. Zeus was left with a scar on his nose, they said. Bear and May were also hurt, and one of them had blood in her eye.

"She had a blood spot in her eye, like he'd punched her in the eye," her owner said.

The dogs' owners wanted their identities hidden until the case is resolved, but said they can't imagine why anyone would want to hurt their affectionate pack. "They just want love, and flop over and lick you. That's all they want, the attention," one said.

Despite the stereotype some people have of pit bulls being vicious, the dogs' owners said their pets are trusting and love people, and they believe that's why the man didn't get hurt that night.

"They are just so tolerant and obedient and good with kids. Their loyalty they have for their owner is remarkable," one of the dogs' owners said.

HyVee officials released a security tape to police.

The man in the parking lot was arrested and charged with driving under the influence. Police said the case is under investigation and assault charges may still be filed.

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