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TYPE OF INCIDENT: Homicide Investigation - Update

LOCATION: Jerilyn Drive at Dale Drive, unincorporated San Jose

CASE NUMBER: 21-300-0117E

UPDATE:

Yesterday afternoon, Sheriff's Homicide Detectives investigated the circumstances surrounding the victim's death. Detectives identified the suspect as Ignacio Espinoza (52) out of San Jose, who is the estranged husband of the victim.

Detectives were able to track down Espinoza in the city of Modesto. The joint collaboration with the Modesto Police Department lead to the arrest of Espinoza at the Modesto Transit Center.

Espinoza was later transported and booked into to the Santa Clara County Main Jail on charges of Homicide and Assault with a Deadly Weapon. Espinoza is a convicted felon and registered sex offender on multiple sex related charges consisting of rape and lewd or lascivious acts with a minor under the age of 14.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. This was the tragic end result of an ongoing domestic violence relationship between an estranged husband and wife. The Sheriff's Office and the County have a zero-tolerance policy for domestic violence offenses. If you know anyone involved in a domestic violence situation, please report it immediately to your local law enforcement agency.

The name of the victim will be released by the Santa Clara County Medical Examiner-Coroner's Office after they confirm the victim's identity and notify next of kin.

Anyone with information regarding this case is asked to contact the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office at 408-808-4500. Alternatively, you can contact the Sheriff's Office Investigations anonymous tip line at 408-808-4431 or at SO.website@shf.sccgov.org.

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DETAILS:

On 10/27/2021 at approximately 1044 hours, Sheriff's Office Deputies responded to report of a person down located in the area of Jerilyn Drive at Dale Drive, unincorporated San Jose.

Upon arrival, Deputies located a female adult who was found unconscious. San Jose Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services responded to the scene to provide medical attention to the female adult. The female adult was immediately transported to a local medical facility where she was pronounced deceased.

The identity of the victim will be released by the Santa Clara County Coroner's Office after they confirm the victim's identity and notify next of kin.

The details surrounding this death are currently under investigation and more information will be provided at a later time.

We will release further information tomorrow as the case develops.

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