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Update: Dog Dies on Apartment Balcony

Glendale, Ariz. – Yesterday afternoon, at approximately 3:41 PM, Glendale Police received a call of an animal welfare check at an apartment complex in the 8100 block of N. 61st Ave for a third story apartment. Patrol officers arrived only a few minutes after the call was received and could hear the dog in distress. No one was home at the time, and there was no access to the balcony. The patrol officer called the Glendale Fire Department to use their ladder in order to help the dog. Sadly, the dog had already died before first responders were able to get to it. The dog appeared to be a lab mix puppy that was brown in color.

The Arizona Humane Society was called to complete a seizure of the dog. The humane society took possession of the dog, and they are conducting an investigation. The Glendale Police Department is working in cooperation with the Arizona Humane Society. Glendale Police detectives have assumed the criminal investigation.

The owner of the dog has been identified by police. The owner of the dog could face charges of animal cruelty. Detectives are gathering evidence and awaiting results of the humane society autopsy. No arrests have been made at this time as the investigation is on-going.

With the summer heat in full force the Glendale Police Department would like to provide the public with the following pet safety tips:

- **Keep Pets Indoors!**
- **Keep Hydrated** – provide pets with access to cool water at all times whether indoors or out.
- **Free to Be** – NEVER chain your pet up; if they get tangled up it will be difficult for them to access shade or water.
- **No Parking Zone** – NEVER leave your pet in a parked car; on a hot summer day a car's interior temperature can reach 200 degrees in just minutes. If you see a pet in a hot car, **call 911, notify the business/security and stay with the vehicle.**

- **Who to call?**
- **If you witness a pet in distress, please contact AHS' Emergency Field Dispatch at 602.997.7585, EXT. 2073 or the Police as failure to provide a pet with adequate water, shelter and/or leaving a pet in a car on a hot day is a violation of A.R.S. 13-2910 and is subject to prosecution.**

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