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DEATH IN CUSTODY-NO FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED

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Solano County Sheriff's Office

On the morning of Thursday, August 14, 2008 at approximately 9:48 A.M. and inmate being held in the Solano County Jail's booking and receiving area was discovered on the floor of a holding cell, unresponsive. The inmate, 62 year old John Allen Anderson of Vallejo, was transported by ambulance to a local hospital where he was later pronounced dead.

Anderson was arrested on August 13, 2008 by the Fairfield Police Department and was booked into the Solano County Jail at 5:56 A.M., charged with Disorderly Conduct/Under the Influence of Drugs or Alcohol. Anderson was being detained in a holding cell until sufficiently sober for release. During his brief incarceration Anderson had been medically screened and examined by medical staff.

On August 14 at approximately 9:48 A.M. Correctional staff conducting a security check observed through a holding cell window that Anderson was on the floor. Upon entering the cell correctional and medical staff found Anderson unresponsive. Additional medical support was immediately summoned and Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) was initiated. Paramedics arrived on scene and transported Anderson to a local hospital. During previous security checks that morning Anderson had been observed awake and had communicated with staff. At the time of this incident Anderson was the only occupant of the holding cell.

Detectives with the Solano County Sheriff's Office and the District Attorneys Office are currently investigating this incident. The Sacramento County Coroners Office will conduct a post-mortem examination in order to determine the manner and cause of death. At present time there is no indication of foul play.

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