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## **MEDIA ALERT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **In-Custody Death of Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office Resident**

**(CHARLOTTE, NC)** - The Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office is currently investigating the death of 42-year-old male resident, Tommy Hucks (PID 210554), who was housed at the Mecklenburg County Detention Center-Central (801 E. Fourth Street).

At approximately 9:46AM, a medical emergency was called by a detention officer in the housing unit where Hucks was assigned after being discovered unresponsive in his cell. Detention personnel promptly started resuscitation procedures, including CPR and continued until emergency medical personnel arrived. At approximately 9:58AM, the Charlotte Fire Department and Mecklenburg EMS (MEDIC) arrived and continued efforts to resuscitate Hucks but were unsuccessful and Hucks was pronounced deceased at approximately 10:26AM. Requests for the resident's health information may not be disclosed as it is protected by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

Sheriff McFadden said, "MCSO is very dismayed to report the death of Mr. Hucks. It's always difficult to experience the loss of anyone in our custody and care. We send our deepest condolences to Mr. Hucks' family and loved ones during this difficult time."

Resident Hucks was processed into custody at the Mecklenburg County Detention Center-Central on Sunday, June 5, 2022. The State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) will conduct a thorough investigation as the medical examiner determines a cause of death.

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