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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 25-year-old male resident, Russell Fincham (PID 443725), who was housed at the Mecklenburg County Detention Center-Central (801 E. Fourth Street).

On Wednesday, July 6, 2022, at approximately 8:25 a.m., a medical emergency was called by a detention officer in the unit where Resident Fincham was housed. Medical personnel began administering CPR and 9-1-1 was called. At approximately 8:34 a.m., MEDIC arrived and continued CPR. The resident was pronounced deceased at approximately 8:56 a.m. Requests for the resident's medical information may not be disclosed as protected by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

Sheriff McFadden said, "It is devastating to report the death of this young resident who was in our custody and care. We send our deepest condolences to his family during this difficult time."

Resident Fincham was processed into custody at the Mecklenburg County Detention Center-Central on Sunday, July 3, 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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