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Drowning Incident Near Frenchman’s Cove

St. Thomas, USVI- On Thursday, November 24, 2022, at approximately 11:12 am, the 911 Emergency Call Center dispatched officers from the Richard N. Callwood Command to a possible drowning at the beach at the Frenchman’s Cove, St. Thomas USVI. Upon the unit’s arrival, they met with Emergency Medical Technicians who were in the process of transporting a male to the Schneider Regional Medical Center. Shortly after arriving at the hospital, the male was pronounced deceased.

Preliminary investigation revealed that on November 24, 2022, at approximately 11:00 am, the male, who was visiting St. Thomas with his wife, went swimming at the Frenchman’s Cove. Soon thereafter, the male called out for help; his wife was able to pull him ashore and perform CPR until the Emergency Medical Technicians arrived. Next of kin identified the male as eighty-one-year-old Courtney Nelthropp.

The cause of death is unknown at this time, pending an autopsy.

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