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PRESS INFORMATION

INCIDENT: In custody death

GENERAL LOCATION: Tehama County Jail

DATE: February 24, 2023

DECEASED: Ruben Banuelos

AGE: 37

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT: On February 24, 2023, a man who was in custody at the Tehama County Jail died from what appears to be a medical event.

Ruben Banuelos was arrested and booked into the Tehama County Jail on February 19, 2023, for outstanding warrants. On February 21, 2023, Mr. Banuelos was transported to an area hospital after experiencing symptoms of an unknown illness. Through medical examination, it was determined that Mr. Banuelos was suffering from a pre-existing medical condition, unrelated to his incarceration.

On February 24, 2023, Mr. Banuelos ultimately succumbed to his illness and his death was pronounced by a local physician. On February 27, 2023 an autopsy was conducted on Mr. Banuelos. The attending physician preliminarily determined the cause of death was due to a pre-existing medical condition.

The Tehama County Coroner's Office and investigators with the Tehama County Sheriff's Office are actively investigating the details surrounding Mr. Banuelos's death.

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