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Good morning,

Please see the attached dog bite case from our City.

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CONTINUATION/FOLLOW-UP

Mercer Island Police Department

Case Number: 2024-6249

Type of Incident: Dog Bite

Dog Owner: Deborah L. Bertlin (DOB [REDACTED]/[REDACTED]/64)

Victim: Thomas G. Hollowed (DOB [REDACTED]/[REDACTED]/1990)

Reporting Officer: Officer Dawson

Narrative or Investigation:

Hollowed contacted Mercer Island PD to report a dog bite that occurred on 07/14/2024 at approximately 0830 hours. Hollowed reported that he was jogging westbound on SE 27TH ST when he was bit by 2 dogs. Meg, the sister of the dog owner, let the dogs out of the car at 7225 SE 27TH ST Mercer Island, WA 98040. Both dogs immediately ran toward him and Hollowed stated that he tried to verbally calm the dogs, and he backed away about 50 yards. Both dogs bit him, one on the left forearm and one on the left lateral thigh. Hollowed stated that they both punctured. Hollowed stated that the dogs then went back in the house after he said “no” several times.

Hollowed stated that Meg watched it occur and appeared flummoxed by the situation. They exchanged information. Meg was housesitting because the dog owner, Bertlin, was out of town. Hollowed asked for the dog’s vaccination records to see that their rabies shots were up to date. Hollowed confirmed that they were.

Hollowed stated that he is a physician, and he treated his wounds the same day. He stated that 3 days later the forearm dog bite became infected. He took pictures of his dog bites before and after the infection. Hollowed stated the antibiotics for the infection cost approximately \$60.

I called Bertlin and she stated that her 2 dogs are half Pyrenees, half Bernese and are 5.5 years old. Their names are Bup and Stan. She confirmed that she was out of town at the time.

This investigation took place in the city of Mercer Island, the county of King, and the state of Washington.

I CERTIFY OR DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT

Officer: Jacqueline Dawson #175

Place Signed: Mercer Island

Date: 08/05/2024