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PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: HORSE DRAGGED BEHIND TRAILER

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On September 8th, 2023, Animal Care Officers with Animal Care of Davis County responded to a call regarding a possible cruelty incident that occurred in Farmington, Utah. Animal Care of Davis County launched a formal investigation to discover the facts and circumstances surrounding a horse allegedly tied and dragged behind a trailer. The gray horse in question has been thoroughly examined by our Department and was found to have only minor injuries from the incident, and is expected to make a full recovery. Pictures of the horse accompany this release.

The individual responsible has been cited with a criminal citation for a violation of Section 6.28.010 Cruelty To Animals in Davis County code. All persons involved are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. The individual responsible for this incident has been cooperating fully throughout the investigation. We ask the public to refrain from threats of violence to individuals involved in this sad situation.

“Animal Care of Davis County takes reports of animal cruelty very seriously. The Animal Care Officers did a terrific job ensuring a complete and thorough investigation was conducted. We are glad the gray horse in question is not severely injured”, stated Davis County Animal Care Director Ashleigh Young.

Animal Care of Davis County would like to thank the public for the calls, emails, and messages received in reference to this case, and to ask those who believe they’ve witnessed any form of animal cruelty in Davis County to immediately call 801-444-2200.