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MEDIA RELEASE

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Released By: Chief Scott Gregory
Incident: TMPD K-9 Brando
Date: February 26, 2010

Details of Incident:

The Town of Madison Police Department has had a K-9 program since 2004. Our K-9 Brando has been very active in the Town of Madison and throughout Dane County assisting other law enforcement agencies.

On Friday, February 26, 2010 handler Officer Pucillo indicated Brando had been vomiting on and off for 3 days and was lethargic. Officer Pucillo took Brando to the Exceptional Care for Animals, 229 W. Beltline Hwy, to have Brando checked by a veterinarian.

The examination found Brando's abdomen to be uncomfortable. Blood work showed mild dehydration and x-rays showed evidence of foreign material, indicating Brando had eaten inappropriate things including a bit of metal. This resulted in slowing and irritation of the stomach and intestines. He was treated for dehydration, pain and vomiting; ultimately, the foreign material passed and he did not require surgery or endoscopy to remove the foreign material.

Brando is now healthy and back to work! In addition to being a valuable part of the Town of Madison Police Department, Brando is close to Officer Pucillo and his family. The Town of Madison Police Department would like to thank the Exceptional Care for Animals and DVM Mark A. Koepple for donating their exceptional services to care for Brando.

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