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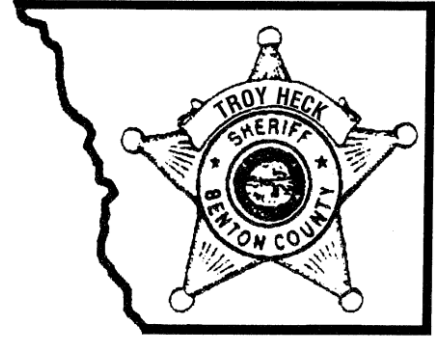
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Troy Heck, Sheriff
Neal Jacobson, Chief Deputy

PRESS RELEASE

DATE: 10/13/2024

AUTHORITY OF SHERIFF TROY HECK

The Benton County Sheriff's Office is investigating an assault with a firearm that occurred in Gilmanton Township on October 13th.

On October 13th at about 4:45 pm, the Benton County Sheriff's Office responded to a residence in the 9900 block of 95th Ave NE in Gilmanton Township. A resident at this location reported that two people had been shot and that the suspect was still in the area. Deputies responded to the area and located two adult male victims. One victim had a gunshot wound to his neck and the other had a gunshot wound to his abdomen. Soon after finding the victims, deputies located the adult male suspect and took him into custody without incident. Both victims were transported via ambulance to the St. Cloud Hospital and remain there in critical condition. The suspect was transported to the Benton County Jail, where he will remain until his initial court appearance.

The investigation into this incident remains active and on-going. The lone suspect in this case has been arrested and there is no further danger to the public. The names of the victims and suspect are being withheld until notifications can be made to family members. More details will be released once these notifications have been accomplished.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Troy Heck".

Troy Heck
Benton County Sheriff