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PRESS RELEASE

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Sheriff's Office Looking for Biting Dog in City of Davis Bite# 14-003695

The Yolo County Sheriff's Office, Animal Services Section, is asking the public's help in attempting to locate a biting dog involved in an incident in the area of North Star Park in Davis California. A search of the area has been unsuccessful.

The incident occurred on Friday, February 7, 2014 at approximately 10:00 a.m. An adult female was walking a black female Labrador Retriever on leash in the park area when the victim and the dog walker stopped to say hello the adult female victim bent down to pet the dog and was bitten. The victim describes the dog owner as white female adult, grey hair, approximately 5-7 in height, wearing a grey-blue pullover shirt and of average build.

The victim recalls the dog owner saying the dog was healthy, but then she walked away with no exchange of information for follow-up on rabies vaccine information.

Anyone having knowledge about this bite incident or the location of the owner or owners or dog is encouraged to report it to Animal Services or the Davis Police Department. Identifying the dog to verify current rabies vaccination will help possibly prevent the victim from post exposure rabies treatment.

The Yolo County Sheriff's Office Animal Services Section wants to inform the public that several of our recent bite cases have been the result of someone trying to pet a dog whom they do not know. The instinct of many dogs is to protect their owner and may sense movement by a stranger toward that person as an aggressive gesture. Many owners also do not know until it's too late that their dog may bite when a potential threat is perceived, so asking the owner if you can pet their dog does not assure that the dog will not bite.

We would also like to remind dog owners that if your dog bites someone, it is your responsibility to report it to Yolo County Animal Services in order for vaccinations to be verified.

Anyone having any information please contact Yolo County Sheriff's Office, Animal Services Section <u>24 hours a day</u> at (530) 668-5287 or email <u>animal.bite@yolocounty.org.</u>

Copy to: Yolo County Public Health Fax 530-669-1549 and Davis Police Department