NORTHFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Press Release – NPD Officer Administers Narcan November 17, 2017

For the first time, Northfield Police administer Narcan to a victim of suspected heroin overdose.

On Saturday, November 11, Northfield Police and Northfield Hospital EMS were dispatched to the a parking lot in the 1100 block of Hwy #3 South, where a 23-year-old female was said to have overdosed on heroin. Officers discovered a 23 year old female passenger in a vehicle; she was not responsive, and had agonal breathing.

Northfield Officer David Jandro prepared to administer Narcan to the victim. EMS medics arrived and advised Jandro as he delivered the Narcan to the patient. Before the victim left by ambulance, she started to regain consciousness. At the Hospital, the victim was completely aware and officers were able to interview her. The victim appeared to fully recover. The investigation of the incident continues.

This incident is a great example of the cooperative efforts with Northfield Hospital EMS staff who provide training to local Police Officers to administer Narcan in suspected overdose cases. NPD has Narcan available through the generosity of surrounding agencies in Rice and Dakota Counties. Local pharmacies and the Mayor's Task Force on Youth Alcohol and Drug Use also lend support and education in efforts related to Steve's Law and opiate overdose related issues.

Northfield Police would like to remind the community how important it is to call 911 Immediately when someone is experiencing a suspected overdose:

- Don't Run – Call 911 - Stay on scene and assist the emergency responders. -You will not be charged with a crime related to evidence at the scene or for

being under the influence. - If you need Narcan for yourself or a loved one, please contact a local pharmacy.

Please Contact Deputy Chief Mark Dukatz with any questions: 507-663-9302.