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Domestic Animal Services Responds to Animal Cruelty Abuse

Domestic Animal Services' staff received a call around 10:15 p.m. on June 18 from the Collier County Sheriff's Office after a deputy responded to a domestic violence call in Naples and found a deceased cat that had allegedly died as a result of being thrown against a wall.

DAS staff sent the deceased cat to the Big Cypress Animal Clinic to perform a necropsy. This procedure will determine the cause of death and assist the Collier County Sheriff's Office in the investigation.

The Collier County Sheriff's Office will be handling **case #06-20631** and will proceed with an investigation to determine if criminal charges will be filed. A Cruelty to Animals charge is a third degree felony that carries a sentence of up to five years in prison.

For more information, call the Collier County Sheriff's Public Information Office at 793-9145.

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