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## CALDWELL POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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A man who barricaded himself inside of an apartment in the 2700 block of Blackfoot Lane for several hours has been arrested.

At 6:00 a.m. today, Caldwell Police responded to a disturbance call between two parties that were known to each other. The caller reported that the man, identified as 40-year-old Joshua Russell, was a parolee at large and possibly armed. It was then discovered that Nampa Police had attempted to stop Russell last night, however he fled from them without being captured.

During the course of our investigation this morning, officers were able to establish lines of communication with Russell who refused to submit to arrest while taking a barricaded position inside the apartment. Russell informed officers that he would not be going back to prison and would use any means necessary to ensure that he would not be arrested.

Due to the statements from Russell, and the belief that he was armed with an unknown amount of weapons, officers evacuated the apartment building. Caldwell Police SWAT was subsequently activated; however, due to deployment staffing the Nampa Police Department offered their assistance and quickly deployed their Tactical Response Team to the scene. After several hours of negotiating, and communicating with Russell, he peacefully surrendered himself without incident and was arrested by the Caldwell Police Department. He is facing several charges including state probation violations.

We want to thank our Caldwell Officers who responded to the call, the Nampa Police Department for their exceptional response and leadership, the Canyon County Sheriff's Office, Idaho Department of Probation and Parole, the Caldwell Fire Department, and the Canyon County Paramedics.

We also want to thank the residents for their cooperation during this situation, as well as Valley Church for opening their doors and allowing first responders to use their facilities during the crisis.

"This was the second SWAT activation in 48 hours that our brave men and women courageously responded to. Historically, Nampa and Caldwell SWAT Teams have not deployed together; however, today this unprecedented cooperation resulted in collaboratively capturing a dangerous fugitive and bringing him to justice without incident. There will never be a perfect incident, but today the unified response of all involved should be the benchmark for successful SWAT missions. I am extremely proud of everyone involved and would like to emphasize that leadership matters!" said Rex Ingram, Caldwell Chief of Police.

*All individuals are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.*