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RMPD Crisis Negotiators Prevents Man From Jumping

Rocky Mount, N.C. – On July 24, 2021, at approximately 9:00 a.m., the Rocky Mount Police Department emergency 911 center received calls about a man standing on the railing of the George Street Bridge. The Rocky Mount Police Department's trained crisis negotiators arrived on-scene within minutes. The male, whose identity is being withheld at this time, voluntarily came down from the railing at approximately 12:00 p.m. The male was taken into police custody and transported to UNC Nash Healthcare. The George Street Bridge was closed for approximately three (3) hours during the investigation and is now re-opened.

About Rocky Mount: The city of Rocky Mount, located in the Coastal Plains of North Carolina, was incorporated in 1867 and lies in Edgecombe and Nash Counties. Rocky Mount is a two-time All-America City on the Tar River. Serving as the Gateway to Eastern North Carolina, the city's 875 employees serve approximately 58,000 residents daily.

The city's mission is to advance community well-being, safety and quality of life by delivering excellent public services and actively collaborating with the community towards a fulfilling and inspired future for its citizens. As a publicly-owned utility, the city of Rocky Mount is committed to safe, reliable service for its customers and operates in Nash and Edgecombe counties, providing customers with electricity, natural gas, water, wastewater (sewer), refuse, recycling and/or stormwater services. To learn more, visit www.rockymountnc.gov for news and updates.

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