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News Release

To: Local Media Outlets
From: Officer Tyler Sherlock
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Re: Alliance Police Department Apprehends Fugitive with Nationwide Extradition Warrant

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Alliance Police Department
Alliance, Nebraska

The Alliance Police Department announces the apprehension of a male suspect wanted on a nationwide extradition warrant for First Degree Assault, a felony offense originating out of Westminster, Colorado. In the past 48 hours, credible intelligence was received by the involved agencies indicating the suspect was present in the Alliance area. As a result, the Alliance Police Department and the Western Intelligence Narcotics Group (WING) began conducting surveillance within Alliance and successfully located the individual.

On the morning of 02/12/2026, at approximately 0650 hours, officers with the Alliance Police Department, in conjunction with the WING drug task force, conducted a traffic stop near 3rd Street and Laramie Avenue. The driver of the vehicle was identified as Anthony Lee Smith, date of birth 07/19/1982, who was confirmed to have an active nationwide extradition warrant for Felony First Degree Assault.

Smith was apprehended without incident and transported to the Box Butte County Jail, where he was lodged pending extradition proceedings back to Colorado. During the arrest, Smith was also found to be in possession of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia. Additional charges related to those offenses are pending.

“This arrest highlights the importance of strong partnerships and information sharing between local, state, and federal agencies,” said Sergeant David LaDuke of the Alliance Police Department. “Through coordinated efforts and proactive investigative work, we were able to locate and safely apprehend a dangerous individual while keeping our community and officers safe.”

This apprehension was the result of coordinated efforts between the Alliance Police Department, the Box Butte County Sheriff’s Office, the FBI’s Rocky Mountain Safe Streets Task Force (RMSSTF), and WING. The Alliance Police Department would like to thank all partnering agencies for their cooperation and continued commitment to public safety.