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## News Release

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### INMATE DEATH

At 2:26 A.M., on Sunday, August 11, 2024, inmates at the Nelson Coleman Correctional Center alerted correctional officers via intercom that a fellow inmate, 37-year-old Khris Pfister, was in medical distress in the bathroom of the dorm. Deputies entered the dorm within 40 seconds to assess the situation. They found him seated on the commode, appearing to be medically distressed and unresponsive. A nurse with the medical unit hurried to the location and started rendering aid and life-saving measures, including C.P.R. Video surveillance showed that the inmate had gotten out of his bunk approximately 4 minutes earlier, put on his shoes, and walked over to the bathroom.

The staff continued administering C.P.R. until an E.M.S. unit arrived at the jail at 2:48 P.M. Pfister was loaded onto a stretcher and taken by ambulance to the St. Charles Parish Hospital in Luling. E.M.S. left the jail with him at 2:52 A.M.

After that, Pfister was airlifted from St. Charles Hospital to University Medical Center.

We were advised that he passed away at University Hospital approximately 12 hours later at 2:21 P.M.

Pfister had been in custody on several charges, including felonies, since August 2, 2024.

An autopsy was conducted by the Jefferson Parish Coroner this morning. Preliminary results indicate that Pfister suffered from multiple bleeding ulcers. Results regarding the autopsy are incomplete, pending toxicology. Pfister did not report this condition to the jail staff or seek medical attention for this issue at any time.

