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PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE
PUBLIC INFORMATION RELEASE REPORT

STATION ERIE PATROL UNIT		CAD/CASE NO PA 2026-273056
INVESTIGATING OFFICER COTTON, K, 13868 (755272)	DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT 03-03-2026 1640	
NATURE OF INCIDENT CRUELTY TO ANIMALS		
LOCATION 3715 DAVISON RD		
MUNICIPALITY(COUNTY) HARBORCREEK TWP (ERIE)		

PERSON(S) INVOLVED (Age based off incident occurrence date):

ARRESTEE: Roy KING, 63, M, HARBORCREEK, PA

INCIDENT DETAILS:

On 03/03/2026 at approximately 1640 hours, Pennsylvania State Police - Erie was dispatched to a residential address in Harborcreek Township, Erie County for the report of a found dog who was severely injured, bleeding, and the paws were zip tied. Responding members contacted Trooper Kylene COTTON regarding this incident. Members were instructed to cut the zip ties off the dog and rush to the A.N.N.A. Shelter of Erie. Once at the A.N.N.A. Shelter, this dog's current conditions were too severe, therefore she was immediately transported to a Critical Care Veterinarian Hospital. The Specialist and Veterinarian on this case described the dog to be in excruciating pain, a severe skin infection, and the zip ties were so tight, it restricted blood flow to the dog's paws. After an extensive investigation, a Suspect was developed, found, and later arrested. The Actor was charged with Torture (Felony 3), Aggravated Cruelty to Animals (Felony 3), Cruelty to Animals (Misdemeanor 2), and Neglect of Animals (Misdemeanor 3). The Actor was remanded to Erie County Prison, awaiting Preliminary Arraignment. The involved dog is critical, but stable. Trooper Kylene COTTON investigating.

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