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Charges Issued Inn Dearborn Chihuahua Case

Today, Wayne County Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy issued charges against Kenneth Michael Lang, 56 of Dearborn. On July 22, 2009 Dearborn animal control officers and Dearborn police officers conducted an animal welfare check on a home in the 7000 block of Orchard in Dearborn. Officers discovered over 100 living dogs in varying stages of neglect as well as over 150 dead dogs.

Lang allegedly kept dogs that were suffering from emaciation from being malnourished and dehydrated and that were observed to be in various states of poor health. The defendant surrendered the dogs to the Dearborn Animal Shelter voluntarily through his attorney.

The defendant has been charged with two counts of Cruelty to ten (10) or more Animals; one count for the living dogs and one count for the dead dogs. The charge is a felony that carries a potential sentence of up to four years in prison.

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The Wayne County Prosecutor's Office Animal Protection Unit is staffed by Assistant Prosecutors Rajesh Prasad and Amy Slameka. During the one year the unit has been in existence animal cruelty, dog fighting and intentional killing of animals cases have been prosecuted.

The defendant is expected to be arraigned on the warrant today at 3:30 p.m. in front of Judge William Hultgren at 19th District Court, 16077 Michigan Avenue in Dearborn.

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