

**NEWS RELEASE** | **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** | March 10, 2024

**\*Update\*** **Pedestrian Injury Crash** **\*Name Release\***

**What:** Injury

**Where:** 100 block 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW, Valley City

**When:** 3:00 PM CST

**Road Conditions:** Good/Dry

**Weather Conditions:** Clear

**Crash Involvement:** Pedestrian

**Type of Crash:** Backing

**Agencies Involved:** Valley City Police Department, Barnes County Ambulance, Sanford AirMed, Barnes County Sheriff's Department

**Vehicle No. 1:** 2021, Ford, Expedition

**Driver No. 1:** Ralph Thompson, 85, Page ND, not injured

**Restraints:** Undetermined, air bags not deployed

**Charges:** Under investigation

**Pedestrian:**

**Hometown:** JoAnn Nathan, Valley City, ND

**Gender/Age:** Female/83

**Injury:** Injured

## **NARRATIVE:**

The Expedition reversed northbound from being parked facing south along the roadway. The Expedition traveled in a counter-clockwise arc striking two parked and unattended vehicles. It continued onto a sidewalk north of the roadway, striking the pedestrian. The Expedition continued its trajectory, striking another parked and unattended vehicle in a parking lot south

of the roadway before coming to final rest facing west after striking an office/apartment building.

The pedestrian sustained life threatening injuries and was transported from the scene to Mercy Hospital by Barnes County Ambulance before being flown to Fargo by Sanford AirMed. No occupants inside the building were injured. All vehicles involved sustained moderate damage. The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

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