MR#: 14-077.5 CASE#: CH14-10983

DATE: 12/25/2014

TIME: 9:30 pm

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

## UPDATED SILVER ALERT MESSAGE: LOCATED

On Thursday, December 25, 2014, at approximately 9:30pm James Mengel was located safely by the California Highway Patrol in Truckee, California. He was found in good health and is currently in the process of being reunited with his family. The Silver Alert has been cancelled and the Citrus Heights Police Department would like to thank the community and our media partners for their assistance in locating Mr. Mengel.



## **PROJECT LIFESAVER:**

The Citrus Heights Police Department would like to encourage those who provide caretaking assistance to anyone suffering from Alzheimer's, Dementia or other similar conditions that typically cause confusion for the elderly, to consider signing up with the Project Lifesaver program through the Citrus Heights Police Department website (http://www.citrusheights.net/802/Forms).

The program has a 100% success rate nationally and is currently being offered at no cost to those living in Citrus Heights. Its success is attributed to the specialized training officers receive and the radio frequency transmitter device worn by the client. When a client goes missing, the Police Department will be notified and immediately responds with specialized equipment to aid in the person's quick recovery. Most clients are typically found within 2 miles of their home.

There are over 5 million people in the United States with Alzheimer's according to the national Project Lifesaver program. That number is expected to grow to approximately 15 million by the year 2030.

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