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MOTHER CHARGED WITH FELONY MURDER AND FELONY CHILD NEGLECT

On October 17, 2022, a Spotsylvania County Grand Jury indicted Dorothy Annette Clements, 30 years of age from Spotsylvania for the death of her four-year-old son that occurred on May 08, 2022 after suffering a medical emergency two days prior at a home in the 5400 block of Jamie Court. Detectives from the Child Victims Unit investigated the death and learned from doctors that the child's toxicity level showed a high level of THC (tetrahydrocannabinol). Detectives believe the child ingested a large amount of THC gummies. The attending doctor told Detectives that if medical intervention occurred shortly after ingestion, it could have prevented death. Statements made to Detectives by the mother did not match evidence seized at the home. Clements was taken into custody on October 20, 2022 by Detectives and incarcerated at the Rappahannock Regional Jail under no bond.

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