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On the evening of March 17, the Caldwell Police Department Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team conducted an arrest warrant service at a residence on the 5100 block of Northrup Way in Caldwell, on a male suspect who was suspected of aggravated battery after an incident on March 16.

Just before midnight and after several hours of de-escalation tactics, including chemical munitions and negotiations, the subject was peacefully taken into custody without further incident or injury. Rafael Antonio Garcia Lopez is charged with domestic battery with traumatic injury and intimidating a witness.

We want to thank the neighbors and the community for their support and cooperation during the incident.

“Strategic. Methodical. Deliberate. Tactical. Professional. Those are the words that describe how our tacticians safely execute high-risk warrant operations like the one last night involving Mr. Garcia-Lopez. I want to thank our wonderful community who were extremely patient during this hours-long standoff. These situations can be daunting and disruptive to the community and we appreciate the support. As for Mr. Garcia-Lopez, I guarantee he will think twice the next time he wants to be a menace to society because we will not tolerate folks like him who think they can terrorize our community,” said Rex Ingram, Caldwell Chief of Police.



All individuals are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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