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## INFORMATION RELEASE

**Subject: Endangering the Welfare of a Child 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree**

**Date: 12/05/2009**

**From: Sgt. Chris Burke**

**Case #: 091204-019**

### Summary:

On 12/04/2009, approximately 9:10 pm, the Juneau Police Department received a report of a one-year-old female child showing up at a residence in Switzer Village. The child was cold and dirty. Officers responded and investigated the incident.

Investigation revealed the child a 17-month-old female was left in the care of a 40-year-old local male. When contacted, the 40-year-old male was found to be under the influence of alcohol and sleeping. The 40-year-old male had not known the child left his residence. He was left in charge of the child for approximately 3.5 hours. The child was not dressed appropriately for the 29-degree temperature.

The mother, Valery Parkinson DOB: 11/18/1982 a local Juneau resident knew the 40-year-old male was under the influence when she left the child in his care. Ultimately, the Office of Children's Services was contacted and the child was taken into their custody.

Parkinson was charged with Endangering the Welfare of a Child in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree a violation. Charges are pending for the 40-year-old male.

The investigation continues.

Any charges reported in this press release are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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