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Re: Arrest Made in 2017 Walgreens Armed Robbery

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On 10-30-17 at 9:06 p.m., deputies responded to the Walgreens located at 7305 Spring Hill Drive in reference to an armed commercial robbery in progress.

When deputies arrived, the suspect had already fled the area on foot.

According to witnesses, a man wearing a black homemade ski mask, black sweat shirt and black pants entered the store and immediately demanded the clerk give him money from the register. The clerk noted the man kept one hand in his jacket pocket making it appear as if he had a firearm.

A witness who saw the confrontation attempted to intervene by blocking the exit as the suspect attempted to leave.

As the suspect attempted to run by the witness, the customer punched the suspect in the face in an attempt to get him to stop.

After getting punched, the suspect continued to run out of the store and headed west on Spring Hill Drive.

While a K-9 track was unsuccessful in locating the suspect, deputies were able to locate several pieces of evidence.

Using DNA collected from evidence at the scene, deputies identified **Mark A. McLemore Jr. W/M DOB/03-14-1987**, as the robbery suspect. McLemore is a registered felon.

On 5-27-18, McLemore was located and charged with **Robbery with a Firearm**. His bond was set at \$50,000.

The Office of Sheriff:

The Office of the Sheriff is established by the Florida Constitution. As a constitutional officer, the Sheriff has the exclusive authority to administer his or her agency and is responsible for preserving the peace throughout the entire county, carrying out the laws of the state, the orders of Florida courts, and the ordinances of the Board of County Commissioners. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement and correctional officer of the county.

Sheriff Al Nienhuis was initially appointed as the Sheriff of Hernando County by the Governor in January of 2011. He was then elected by the people of Hernando County in 2012, and remains accountable to them.