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Re: Spring Hill Sex Offender Arrested for Failure to Register and Report –
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Date: April 18, 2024

During a recent compliance audit for sexual predator/offender registrations, Detective G. Marcacci located an overdue registration for sexual offender, Douglas Allan Ross of Spring Hill, which was required to be completed in March 2024.

On 04-16-2024, after an unsuccessful attempt to contact Ross at his residence, Detective Marcacci was able to locate and speak with Ross outside of a local retail store. During the interview, it was also discovered that Ross was in possession of a cell phone with a phone number which had not been previously registered to his sexual offender profile.

Ross advised he was unaware he was required to register a new phone number as a part of his sex offender registration requirements.

Douglas Allan Ross/DOB 09-06-1951 was placed under arrest without incident and charged as follows:

- Failure to Comply with Sexual Offender Reporting Requirements
- Failure to Report Phone Number Changes

Ross was transported to the Hernando County Detention Center.

On 04-17-2024, bond was set at \$1,000.



Hernando County Crime Stoppers / Anonymous Tips

If you have information on this case, please contact Hernando County Crime Stoppers. You will remain anonymous!

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You may also submit your tip via the internet at <http://www.hernandocountycrimestoppers.com> .

You will remain anonymous and also be eligible for a reward up to \$5,000 cash!