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Media Release

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Re: Two Men Charged with Robbing Teen for Marijuana

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On 5-9-17, at 8:35 p.m., Hernando County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the report of an armed robbery that had just occurred in front of the Speedway gas station located at 26260 Cortez Blvd., Brooksville, off Spring Lake Highway.

When deputies arrived, they spoke to the victim, a 16-year-old, who said he was on his way to Speedway to meet someone to purchase an Xbox, when a man, he identified as, **Jamerson Badger**, pulled up in a silver truck, and robbed him at gunpoint.

The teen said Badger took the \$80 he was going to use to purchase the Xbox. The victim identified the driver of the truck as **Wyatt Webb**.

Brooksville Police officers eventually located the suspects' vehicle off Croom Road, just east of Howell Avenue, in Brooksville.

During the traffic stop, Badger fled from the vehicle. Webb, the driver, was taken into custody without incident.

Another passenger, not involved in the robbery, also remained in the vehicle.

The HCSO Aviation and K-9 units were called in to help locate Badger. A short time later, the Air Unit located Badger near the Kangaroo gas station located at 999 N. Broad St., Brooksville. Badger was taken into custody as he attempted flee in a vehicle that had just stopped just moments earlier to pick him up.

During questioning, Webb told investigators he drove Badger to the teen's house in Hill-N-Dale. Webb said Badger went into the house and came running from the home a few minutes later with a white male chasing him.

When Badger got back to the truck, Webb said Badger indicated he had just stole the teen's marijuana. Webb said Badger never had a firearm during the incident.

During questioning, Badger said he took the marijuana because the teen owed him \$80. Following the robbery Badger, Webb and another person went to Tom Varn Park, where they smoked the stolen marijuana.

Upon questioning the suspects, investigators then spoke to victim, who recanted his original statement. The teen said Badger had stolen his marijuana, not his money. He added that Badger never had a gun.

Badger and Webb were each charged with **Robbery by Sudden Snatching**, a felony. Their bond was set at \$1,000 each.

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.