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Media Release

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Re: Escaped Prisoner - Hernando County Landfill Northwest Solid Waste
Management Facility - Landfill

Date: August 16, 2017

On 08-16-17 at 12:21 p.m., Hernando County deputies were dispatched to the Northwest Solid Waste Management Facility (landfill) located on Norris Bishop Loop regarding an Escaped Prisoner.

Investigation revealed that inmate, **Joshua Holmes W/M DOB/12-13-1981**, who was assigned a work detail at the landfill, left the facility without authorization.

Holmes and two other inmates were working under the supervision of Hernando County landfill employees at the time of the occurrence.

The description of the Escaped Prisoner, Joshua Holmes, is as follows:

- White Male
- Height – 5' 7"
- Weight – 145
- Hair – Balding (brown on sides)
- Eyes – Brown
- Clothing – White and black striped two-piece inmate clothing.

Holmes' original charges – VOP Grand Theft Auto.

If you see Holmes or have any information regarding his whereabouts, please call 9-1-1.

If you would like to remain anonymous – Please call Hernando County Crime Stoppers at 1-866-990-TIPS (8477) or submit your tip via the internet at

<http://www.hernandocountycrimestoppers.com> . You will remain anonymous and also be eligible for a reward up to \$1,000 cash!

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.