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Media Release

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Re: HCSO Captain Earns Certified Correctional Executive Certification

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Captain Shaun Klucznik of the Hernando County Sheriff's Office was recently notified by the American Correctional Association that he has passed the Certified Correctional Executive examination.

This makes Captain Klucznik the first Certified Correctional Executive in the history of the Hernando County Sheriff's Office.

Certified Correctional Executives are considered to be individuals at the highest executive level leadership who oversee the development of correctional policy and procedures in agencies dealing with adult offenders.

The Corrections Certification Program is designed to advance the overall knowledge level of practitioners in the corrections field, promote the capabilities of corrections professionals to the public, and enhance society's image and professionalism of correctional personnel, thereby aiding in the recruitment of new, talented staff members.

Becoming a Certified Corrections Professional (CCP) enables staff at all levels to become part of a nation-wide network of resources, ideas, opinions, skills, and people that can enhance the productivity, efficiency, and effectiveness of one's agency.

Certification allows for the advancement of the overall knowledge level of practitioners, accesses their awareness of the most current, innovative, and effective approaches in the corrections field, and promotes the capabilities of corrections professionals to the public by demonstrating their adherence to the ACA Code of Ethics.

Sheriff Al Nienhuis said, "Few residents think about what it takes to maintain care, custody, and control of over 600 inmates every minute of every day. The logistics and liability involved can be overwhelming. Fortunately for the citizens of Hernando County, the

Sheriff's Office has very dedicated and capable people thinking about these issues, so the public doesn't have to. Captain Klucznik is an excellent representation of those professional men and women."

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.