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Media Release

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Re: Vice and Narcotics Search Warrant – 10490 Maderia Street

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On o6-o6-18, members from the Hernando County Sheriff's Office Vice and Narcotics Unit and Hernando County Sheriff's Office SWAT team executed a search warrant at 10490 Maderia Street in Spring Hill. A search warrant was executed previously at this residence on 04/18/2018 for the same type of activity.

Investigation revealed that the resident, Nelson Lugo, was involved in the sale of cocaine.

During the search of the residence, detectives located the following:

- 13.9 grams of Marijuana that was packaged to sell
- Multiple items of paraphernalia
- \$33 in U.S. currency

Nelson Lugo was taken into custody by detectives and charged as follows:

Nelson Lugo H/M DOB/04-24-1969

- Hernando County Warrant for possession and sale of cocaine
- Possession of marijuana with intent to sell
- Possession of paraphernalia

The sheriff's office conducted an investigation on Nelson Lugo at the beginning of 2018, which also resulted in a search warrant being executed. Lugo was able to bond out on the original charges and began selling narcotics again a couple days later. This led the detectives to the search warrant today.

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.