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Media Release

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Re: K-9 Maxx Apprehends Wanted Person Jerry Hamby

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On 7-17--18, District Two detectives began investigating the theft of an Enduro style motorcycle that occurred in Spring Hill. On 7-24-18, Selective Enforcement (SEU) detectives observed the stolen motorcycle being operated by Jerry Wade Hamby, who was also wanted for a probation violation. Upon attempting contact with Hamby, he fled from detectives and abandoned the motorcycle. The motorcycle was recovered and district detectives obtained a warrant for Hamby for Grand Theft Auto.

On 07-29-18, Patrol deputies received information regarding a possible location for Hamby in Spring Hill. Deputies, along with a K-9 team of Deputy Jason Jernigan and K-9 Maxx, responded to the location in an attempt to locate Hamby. As deputies again attempted to make contact with Hamby, he fled from the residence on foot. Hamby continued to ignore lawful commands to stop.

Hamby was eventually located and continued to resist, at which time Deputy Jernigan deployed K-9 Maxx, who promptly apprehended Hamby.

As a result of the deployment of K-9 Maxx, Hamby was taken into custody. Hamby was then transported to a local hospital for treatment of the dog bite before being taken to the Hernando County Detention Center.

Jerry Wade Hamby W/M DOB/04-17-1983 was charged as follows:

- Violation of Felony Probation
- Grand Theft Auto
- Resisting Arrest Without Violence
- No Bond.

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.