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Media Release

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Re: Update – Additional Charges - Man Arrested for Grand Theft

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Update

On the afternoon of 10-19-18, detectives executed a search warrant at 9319 Oak Grove Street in Spring Hill, the residence of Ely Ramirez.

In searching the property, detectives located a box trailer on the side of the house, inside a fenced area. The box trailer had been freshly painted and detectives noted that an improper tag had been attached to the trailer.

Investigation revealed that the box trailer was recently stolen from the Salvation Army on Commercial Way. Upon searching the box trailer, detectives noted that it was full of items.

Investigation revealed that the items located inside the box trailer were in fact, donations that had been received by the Salvation Army.

Detectives placed additional charges on Ely Ramirez. Those charges are as follows:

- Commercial Burglary
- Grand Theft
- Bond - \$7,000.

Ramirez's original charge was as follows:

- Grand Theft
- Bond - \$5,000.

Ramirez bonded out of jail in 10-20-18.

Original Information

On today's date just before 11:30 a.m., Hernando County deputies were alerted to the theft of an enclosed utility trailer. The trailer was stolen from the area of Commercial Way and Northcliffe Boulevard in Spring Hill.

Deputies quickly located the stolen trailer at 9319 Oak Grove Street in Spring Hill, only a few miles from where it was stolen.

Upon arrival at the Oak Grove Street address, deputies observed the suspect, identified as Ely Ramirez, beginning to clean out and dismantle the trailer. It should be noted that Ramirez resides at the address.

At this time, detectives are awaiting a search warrant for the residence and property, as a freshly painted trailer is visible inside a fenced area on the side of the house. An improper tag was observed on the freshly painted trailer.

Currently, Ely Ramirez H/M DOB/06-09-1978 has been placed under arrest and charged with Grand Theft. Additional charges are possible, pending the outcome of the search warrant.

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.