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Media Release

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Re: Alert Deputies Capture Felony Retail Theft Suspects

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On 11-24-18, Hernando County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the Wawa convenience store located at 20075 Cortez Boulevard in Brooksville regarding a Retail Theft.

Upon arrival, deputies spoke with the clerk on duty, who advised that three males entered the store. Two of the males began distracting the employees while the third male snuck behind the counter and stole multiple cartons of cigarettes, concealing them in a white garbage bag. Once the bag was full, all three males left the store.

All three suspects entered a white Nissan, driven by a fourth suspect who was waiting in the parking lot.

The clerk contacted the Hernando County Sheriff's Office.

Dispatchers immediately dispatched the call and broadcast the suspect and vehicle descriptions to all deputies.

Deputies quickly responded to area convenience stores to conduct active patrols, believing the suspects may target other stores in Hernando County.

Deputies who responded to the Wawa located at 12984 Cortez Boulevard in Spring Hill observed the suspect vehicle in the parking lot. Several of the occupants fled from the vehicle but were promptly apprehended by deputies.

The suspects were identified by the clerk from the Wawa in Brooksville as being the individuals who stole the cigarettes.

All four suspects were placed under arrest and charged as follows:

- **Antwan Robinson B/M DOB/11-20-2000**
 - Grand Theft (Enhancement – Traveling Across County Lines)
 - Bond - \$2,000
- **Jarrod Mingo B/M DOB/09-28-1999**
 - Grand Theft (Enhancement – Traveling Across County Lines)
 - Bond – \$2,000
- **Tykes Franklin B/M DOB/06-27-2001**
 - Grand Theft (Enhancement – Traveling Across County Lines)
 - Bond – Juvenile – TOT Parent/Guardian per DJJ
- **Tayvion Robinson B/M DOB/10-25-2001**
 - Grand Theft (Enhancement – Traveling Across County Lines)
 - Bond - Juvenile – TOT Parent/Guardian per DJJ.

The investigation remains active.

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.