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Media Release

From:	Denise M. Moloney Community/Media Relations Manager, 352-797-3609
Re:	Update - HCSO Detectives Continue Investigation into Circle K Shooting
Date:	December 18, 2018

Update

Detectives have released the name of the individual wanted in connection with this incident.

A warrant for the arrest of Jose Arturo Carrasquillo H/M DOB/11-24-1981 has been issued. Carrasquillo will be charged with Aggravated Battery w/a Firearm and Felon in Possession of a Firearm when he is located.

Additionally, Carrasquillo is a Registered Sex Offender, currently in violation of the terms of his release. An additional felony warrant is forthcoming later today to address the violation.

Carrasquillo was operating a 2014 Chrysler 200 or 300, white or grey in color, bearing Florida tag/HCKP39 but is believed to be using another vehicle at this time.

Carrasquillo's physical description is as follows: Hispanic/Male Height – 509 Weight – 170 Eye Color – Brown Hair Color – Black

Tattoos – Praying Hands w/Rosary and Cross on R arm, Rose and "L K Umerta" on L hand, Tear drops under L eye, several other tattoos.

Please use caution and do not approach – Carrasquillo is known to be armed with a 9 mm handgun.

Original Information – 12-14-18

On 12-13-18 at 6:59 a.m., Hernando County Sheriff's deputies responded to the Circle K gas station located at 14195 Elgin Blvd., in reference to a shooting that had just occurred.

While deputies arrived on scene less than a minute after the first 911 call, both the suspect and the victim had already left the scene.

Witnesses reported hearing a gunshot come from the fuel pump area and then seeing a man enter a white car and flee the area heading west on Elgin Boulevard.

They also observed a second man get into a black SUV and drive around the fuel pumps before stopping. The witnesses said they could see the driver of the SUV had been shot.

The driver, later identified as Quincy Oakman, B/M DOB/03-27-79, proceeded to drive from the gas station to his home in Sterling Hills where he then had his wife drive him to the hospital. Oakman is expected to make a full recovery.

This was an isolated incident that was a result of a drug deal.

Detectives are actively working to identify and apprehend the shooting suspect.

Anyone who has information about this incident is asked to call the Hernando County Sheriff's Office at 352-754-6830.

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.