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Media Release

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Re: Vigilant Citizen Alerts Deputies to Vehicle Burglaries

Date: December 19, 2018

During the early morning hours of 12-19-18, a vigilant citizen contacted the Hernando County Sheriff's Office to report four individuals stealing Christmas lights and committing vehicle burglaries in the Villages of Avalon. District Two patrol deputies were dispatched to the area.

Upon arrival, deputies observed a black SUV leaving the subdivision at a high rate of speed. As deputies attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the SUV, the driver fled. While in the process of fleeing from deputies, the driver went off the roadway, disabling the vehicle.

Deputies quickly took both occupants of the SUV into custody.

During this time, other deputies remained in The Villages of Avalon searching for the other vehicle involved in the crimes. Deputies quickly located the vehicle, conducted a traffic stop, and took both occupants of the vehicle into custody.

District Two detectives and Forensics Specialists were called to the scene to continue the investigation.

Investigation revealed the black SUV that fled from deputies had just been stolen from the (Avalon) subdivision and each of the individuals who were in custody was involved in multiple vehicle burglaries, to unlocked vehicles.

All four suspects traveled to Hernando County from St. Petersburg, to commit the crimes.

Detectives are currently in the process of contacting victims, within the subdivision, to return their property. Detectives also located property belonging to persons in other

counties and are working closely with law enforcement agencies across the bay area to determine if the suspects also committed crimes in those jurisdictions.

The individuals listed below were arrested on scene and charged as follows:

- **Robert Green B/M DOB/04-26-2000**
 - Vehicle Burglary – Crossing County Lines to Commit (3 counts)
 - Grand Theft Auto
 - Bond - \$20,000

- **Leandre Millhouse B/F DOB/10-08-1997**
 - Vehicle Burglary – Crossing County Lines to Commit (3 counts)
 - Grand Theft Auto
 - Bond - \$20,000

- **Jaquez Rouse B/M DOB/07-17-2000**
 - Vehicle Burglary – Crossing County Lines to Commit (3 counts)
 - Grand Theft Auto
 - Fleeing and Eluding
 - Bond - \$25,000

- **Dorrien Black B/M DOB/03-30-2000**
 - Vehicle Burglary – Crossing County Lines to Commit (3 counts)
 - Grand Theft Auto
 - DWLSR
 - Bond - \$26,000.

The investigation is still active. Additional charges are possible.

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.