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Media Release

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Re: Mass Casualty Training Exercise Announcement

Date: May 31, 2019

Hernando County's First Responders, in cooperation with the Hernando County School District and the Hernando County Department of Health will be participating in a mass casualty training exercise, on **Monday, June 3, 2019, at Springstead High School** located at 3300 Mariner Boulevard in Spring Hill.

First Responders from all disciplines (law enforcement, fire rescue, emergency management, hospital staff, medical helicopters, etc.) will take part in the **training exercise** which will **begin at 9 a.m. and be complete by 1 p.m.** Residents and/or motorists may see activity in the area as early as 7 a.m., when set-up begins.

During the training exercise, one northbound lane of Mariner Boulevard will be CLOSED. Detour signs will be posted, providing drivers with alternate routes.

Members of the media are invited to attend. A media staging area has been designated in a south parking lot, just south of the cafeteria, in a fenced area. Signage will be posted at the designated media staging area. Members of the media will not be permitted into the exercise area.

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.