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Media Release

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Re: Armed Robbery - Spinners Sweepstakes Café

Date: July 8, 2019

On 07-07-19 at approximately 10:30 p.m., Hernando County Sheriff's deputies responded to Spinner's Sweepstakes Café, located at 3025 Commercial Way in Spring Hill, regarding an Armed Commercial Robbery.

The caller told the 9-1-1 operator that an unknown Hispanic male, armed with a firearm, entered the business and stole cash from the register and struck the caller (an employee) before fleeing from the business.

Upon arrival, several deputies searched for the suspect while others met with the victim.

The victim advised that he was conducting his normal closing duties (sweeping, mopping, trash, etc.) and had just returned from taking trash to the dumpster. As he entered the main office to finish vacuuming, he heard loud screaming regarding where the money was kept.

The victim turned around and observed (who he believed to be) a Hispanic male, with a grey shirt wrapped around his head, wearing a black long-sleeve shirt, dark colored pants, and blue gloves. The suspect had what appeared to be a handgun in a small bag.

The suspect struck the victim in the chest, causing him to fall backwards. The suspect then took cash from the cash drawers, struck the victim again, then fled out the back of the business.

The victim was treated on scene by Hernando County Fire Rescue.

The case remains active. Other than two additional photos of the suspect, which are also available on the HCSO Facebook page, there is no additional information available at this time.

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact Detective David Kortman at 352-754-6830.

If you would like to remain anonymous – Please call Hernando County Crime Stoppers at 1-866-990-TIPS (8477) or submit your tip via the internet at <http://www.hernandocountycrimestoppers.com> . You will remain anonymous and also be eligible for a reward up to \$3,000 cash!



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, ran unopposed in 2016, and remains accountable to them.