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Media Release

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Re: Deputies Locate and Arrest Two Suspects Responsible for Burglary Spree

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During the night of 09-11-19 and into the early morning hours of 09-12-19, nine Vehicle Burglaries were committed within the City of Brooksville. Items taken from the vehicles included cash, loose change, a Taurus Judge handgun, two Ruger LCP handguns, and a Taurus G2c 9mm handgun.

Fortunately, two different Ring systems captured video of two males approaching vehicles (in driveways) and attempting to open the doors. The two males, one black and one Hispanic, appeared to be in their early 20's.

One victim took to social media, sharing the video in hopes of getting some leads on the identity of one or both of the suspects. The victim received a tip that one of the suspects was possibly Jeremiah James.

A deputy who is familiar with Jeremiah James looked at the video and confirmed that the black male in the video was in fact James. The video was also shown to a relative to James. The relative also confirmed that James was the person in the video. Additionally, the relative told detectives the other person in the video was James' friend and neighbor, Tre Ramsey.

Detectives located James at Tom Varn Park on 09-12-19. James was taken to the HCSO District 1 office so he could be interviewed by detectives. Post Miranda, James confessed to burglarizing approximately 50 vehicles on the night of (and into the early morning) 09-11-19.

James told detectives that he and his friend, Tre Ramsey, were walking home from a friend's house on the north side of Brooksville when they decided to start looking into cars and trucks that were parked in neighborhoods. James provided details about the burglaries, including information regarding the four guns they stole and where the two guns were that he held on to.

Later that night, deputies went to 513 Sharon Street in Brooksville, the residence of Jeremiah James. There, detectives located two of the stolen firearms, the Taurus G2C 9mm and the Ruger LCP.

Jeremiah James B/M DOB/07-13-1998 was placed under arrest and as follows:

- Armed Conveyance Burglary (4 counts)
- Conveyance Burglary (6 counts)
- Bond - \$130,000

James remains in the Hernando County Detention Center.

Hernando County Sheriff's deputies, with assistance from K-9, Aviation, Warrants, Major Case and various other units made numerous attempts to locate Tre Ramsey to no avail.

On 02-03-20, Ramsey was located at his residence, 515 Sharon Street in Brooksville. Ramsey was hiding inside a very small cabinet inside the residence.

Ramsey was taken to the HCSO District 1 office so he could be interviewed by detectives.

Post Miranda, Ramsey provided a slightly different version of the story, implying that James was the ringleader and came up with the idea to commit the burglaries. Ramsey did admit to getting some cash out of the vehicles and handling the stolen firearms. Ramsey also admitted to trespassing at 518 East Avenue in Brooksville, a residence he took refuge in when deputies were actively searching for him.

Tre Ramsey H/M DOB/04-29-1999 was placed under arrest and charged as follows:

- Armed Conveyance Burglary (4 counts)
- Conveyance Burglary (6 counts)
- Attempted Conveyance Burglary (2 counts)
- Trespass to a Structure
- Bond - \$140,500.

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.