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Media Release

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Re: School Resource Deputy working Patrol makes Domestic Battery Arrest –
2023-40861

Date: December 29, 2023

On 12-28-2023 at 11:47 a.m., deputies with the Hernando County Sheriff's Office responded to a residence on Tarrytown Drive in Spring Hill in reference to a domestic battery.

Deputy J. Escoda, a school resource deputy who is working patrol while school is out of session, made contact with the male victim. The victim advised his live-in boyfriend, **Jack Gaskins Jr. DOB/02-15-1954**, struck him in the back of the head with his hand during an argument.

The victim further advised Gaskins was previously arrested on 12-17-2023 on charge of domestic battery committed against the victim's adult son. As a result of this arrest, the court issued a no contact order with the son of the victim, who also lives in the home.

During questioning, Gaskins attempted to flee the scene on foot. Deputies quickly located Gaskins and brought him back to the residence.

Gaskins advised he was aware of the no contact order when he entered the residence. Gaskins said he was invited by the victim to stay and eat. While in the house, Gaskins said he was involved in an argument with the victim over finances when he flicked the victim on the back of the head.

Gaskins was arrested on charges of **Domestic Battery** and **Violation of a Pre-trial Release**.

He was transported to the Hernando County Detention Center where he's being held on a no bond status.

Hernando County Crime Stoppers / Anonymous Tips

If you have information on this case, please contact Hernando County Crime Stoppers. You will remain anonymous!

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