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### Media Release

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From: Michael Terry  
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Re: Pasco County Corrections Officer Charged with Possession of Child  
Pornography – 2023-40733

Date: January 8, 2024

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On 12-27-2023, detectives with the Hernando County Sheriff's Office received a CyberTip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that a male subject living in Hernando County had recently been viewing online child pornography.

Investigation revealed the device accessing the child pornography was located at a residence on Frost Bird Road, in Weeki Wachee.

Detectives were able to identify **William Wilkinson DOB/10-25-1989** as a possible suspect.

On 01-05-2024, detectives used various online evidence to obtain an arrest warrant for Wilkinson, along with a search warrant for the suspect's home. Deputies then responded to Wilkinson's home where he was immediately taken into custody.

Wilkinson, a corrections officer who works for the Pasco Juvenile Detention Center, refused to answer any questions regarding the child pornography.

He was transported to the Hernando County Detention Center on four counts of **Possession of Child Pornography**. Initially, Wilkinson was held on a no-bond status. Following his first appearance, Wilkinson was released after posting a \$40,000 bond.

#### ***Hernando County Crime Stoppers / Anonymous Tips***

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

***Hernando County Crime Stoppers can be reached by phone at 1-866-990-TIPS (8477) or \*\*TIPS from a cell phone.***

You may also submit your tip via the internet at <http://www.hernandocountycrimestoppers.com> .

**You will remain anonymous and also be eligible for a reward up to \$5,000 cash!**