Media Release

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Re: Sexual Predator Arrested for Removing Monitor Just After Release from Prison
             – 2024-01119

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On 01-11-2024, at approximately 6:22 p.m., the Hernando County Sheriff's Office received a call from the Florida Department of Corrections, Probation and Parole advising **Convicted Sexual Predator, Hirum Eric Croxall/DOB 09-27-1958,** had removed his court ordered ankle monitor while at a local business in Hernando County.

Croxall had just been released from Florida State Prison in Tallahassee, when he boarded a bus headed toward Manatee County. For unknown reasons, he exited the bus in Hernando County and proceeded to a shopping plaza, entering a large retail store.

Once inside, Croxall picked up a packaged hunting knife and entered the public restroom. Croxall then used the knife to cut off his ankle monitor, which he threw into a toilet. He left the knife in the restroom and then exited the store.

Deputies responding to the store recovered the ankle monitor in the restroom, and then quickly located Croxall in the rear parking lot.

Croxall was taken into custody without incident and charged with the following:

- Violation of Conditional Release
- Tampering with Electronic Monitoring Device

Croxall was transported to the Hernando County Detention Center where he is being held without 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!