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Media Release

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Re: Transient Arrested on Attempted Robbery Charge – 2024-00190073

Date: July 1, 2024

On 06-30-2024 at approximately 1:33 a.m., a Hernando County Sheriff's deputy was conducting a traffic stop in the area of the Mobil gas station located a 6200 Commercial Way when he observed a nearby motorist repeatedly honking her vehicle's horn.

Deputy D. Madden observed the vehicle pulled up next to the Bank of America ATM located at 9223 Cortez Boulevard with a man, later identified as **David Lee Higgins DOB/01-20-1993**, standing between the woman's vehicle and the ATM.

Deputy Madden quickly made contact with the driver who advised she just left work at a local hotel and was in the middle of depositing her paycheck when she noticed the man walking up behind her vehicle.

The victim advised she quickly cancelled the transaction and was attempting to retrieve her check from the ATM when the suspect attempted to snatch the check, while stating, "Give me that."

The victim said she able to roll up the window and start honking the vehicle's horn to get the deputy's attention.

Higgins was arrested at the scene and charged with **Attempted Robbery by Sudden Snatching**. He 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!