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Media Release

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Re: Detectives Investigate Aggravated Battery - 202400206054

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On 07-20-24 at approximately 2:15 a.m., Hernando County Sheriff's deputies, along with Hernando County Fire Rescue, were dispatched to 6715 Treehaven Drive in Spring Hill in regard to an injured person.

The caller told the 9-1-1 operator someone was knocking on the door and asking for help. Upon looking out the window, the caller observed a male with a "really bad gash" on his face.

Deputies arrived on scene to find the injured male in the caller's yard. The male had a severe gash to the side of his face and was bleeding profusely. Upon arrival, Hernando County Fire Rescue transported the victim to a local hospital.

Prior to being transported to the hospital, the victim told deputies he had been at Steven Slattery's residence located at 6610 Treehaven Drive, to visit a female resident. While there, Slattery began accusing the victim and others in the residence of stealing his money and illegal narcotics.

The victim attempted to calm Slattery down, at which time Slattery produced a knife and cut the victim's face. During the altercation, Slattery made comments about "not being afraid to go back to prison" and was willing to kill someone.

The victim fled from the residence and went to a neighbor's house to request help.

Slattery fled the scene immediately after the incident, his whereabouts are currently unknown.

Detective have obtained a warrant for the arrest of Steven Slattery W/M DOB/05-14-1985. When located, Slattery will be charged with Aggravated Battery with a Deadly Weapon.

Anyone with information on Slattery's whereabouts is requested to contact Detective J. Tippin at the HCSO or to contact Hernando County Crime Stoppers to be eligible for a reward.

The victim will recover from the injuries he sustained.

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!