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MEDIA RELEASE

From: Michael Terry
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Re: Weeki Wachee Man Charged in Connection with Seven Construction Site Burglaries

Date: December 7, 2018

On 12-05-18, members of the Hernando County Sheriff's Office Selective Enforcement Unit responded to 8030 Indian Trail Road, Weeki Wachee, to serve a warrant on **William Nichols, W/M DOB/08-12-81**, for Petit Theft.

While on scene, District 1 detectives received a tip that Nichols was possibly responsible for several construction site burglaries currently being investigated by the HCSO.

Detectives also located several pieces of fresh lumber on the property, which they believed may be related to the recent burglaries.

Nichols was arrested on the warrant and transported to the District 1 office for questioning in regards to the construction site burglaries.

During questioning, Nichols confessed to committing numerous construction site burglaries.

Nichols showed detectives several home sites that he burglarized. He told detectives some of the stolen materials were located at his Indian Trails Road home.

Detectives recovered numerous stolen materials from Nichols' home.

All told, Nichols admitted to three construction site burglaries currently under investigation and four additional burglaries that had not been reported.

Those locations are as follows:

14470 Lelani Drive, Weeki Wachee
13301 Rain Owl Road, Brooksville

12476 Jaybird Road, Weeki Wachee
37547 Ipswich Sparrow, Brooksville
9463 Earthwind Court, Weeki Wachee
13074 Thrasher Ave., Weeki Wachee
11400 Pelican Ave., Brooksville.

Nichols' bond was set at \$35,000 on all seven **Burglary Construction** charges.