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### MEDIA RELEASE

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Re: Final Update - LOCATED - Missing Endangered Adult – Joan Kaloustian –  
2022-21400

Date: July 25, 2022

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#### FINAL UPDATE – 07-25-22

On 07-24-22 at approximately 5 p.m., Joan Kaloustian was located by deputies in Levy County, Florida. Sadly, Mrs. Kaloustian was deceased.

Levy County deputies responded to a heavily wooded area west of U.S.-19, after receiving a call from an individual who had been hunting in the area. While hunting, the individual stumbled upon Mrs. Kaloustian, along with her van, on a muddy trail deep in the woods. The van was stuck in the mud.

The area where Mrs. Kaloustian was located is approximately 85 miles from her residence in Highpoint.

Foul play is NOT suspected.

Next-of-kin notifications have been made.

Please join us in keeping Mrs. Kaloustian's family and friends in our thoughts and prayers.

#### UPDATE #4 – 07-24-22

Joan Kaloustian has been located.

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An investigation is underway.

There is no additional information available at this time.

Detectives anticipate an update sometime tomorrow.

Thank you very much for sharing this information over the last several days.

### UPDATE #3 – 07-22-22

Joan Kaloustian is still missing.

Detectives continue to work around the clock to locate Mrs. Kaloustian and the vehicle she is believed to be operating. Unfortunately, they continue to meet with negative results.

There is no new information to share today.

Please continue posting, sharing, and airing the information.

Please continue to be vigilant with any white van. Mrs. Kaloustian's van is a 2012 white Dodge Grand Caravan, bearing Florida handicapped tag/JX37U.



### UPDATE #2 – 07-21-22

Joan Kaloustian is still missing.

It is still believed that Mrs. Kaloustian may be operating her white 2012 Dodge Grand Caravan, bearing Florida handicapped tag/JX37U.

The last time family members had contact with Mrs. Kaloustian was on 07-17-2022 at approximately 8 p.m., when they spoke with her via the landline telephone at her residence. Mrs. Kaloustian resides within the Highpoint community, in Brooksville.

Mrs. Kaloustian, who is diagnosed with dementia, left her residence after 8 p.m. on 07-17-2022 and before 5 p.m. on 07-20-22. It is unknown if she has any of her prescribed medication with her.



#### UPDATE #1 – 07-20-22

Joan Kaloustian is still missing.

Deputies believe she may be operating her white 2012 Dodge Grand Caravan, bearing Florida handicapped tag/JX37U (actual vehicle pictured below).

Mrs. Kaloustian is diagnosed with dementia. It is unknown at this time if she is in possession of her prescribed medications.

A newer photo has been attached.



#### ORIGINAL INFORMATION – 07-19-22

The Hernando County Sheriff's Office is requesting assistance from our media partners and the community in locating a **MISSING ENDANGERED ADULT**.

**Joan Kaloustian** was last seen on 07-17-22 at approximately 4 p.m., at her residence in the Highpoint subdivision (Brooksville). At that time she was visiting with family members. Mrs. Kaloustian remained at her residence when family members left to travel home.

At some point between that time and this evening, Mrs. Kaloustian left her residence in her white Dodge Caravan, bearing Florida handicapped tag/JX37U (photo attached). Mrs. Kaloustian does not have a cell phone with her.

Mrs. Kaloustian is diagnosed with dementia.

Joan Kaloustian's physical description is as follows:

White Female

Date of Birth – 04-25-1946

Height – 5'7"

Weight – 145

Hair – Grey

Eyes – Brown

Last seen wearing – Unknown.

If you have seen Joan Kaloustian, or know her current whereabouts, please call 9-1-1 or the Hernando County Sheriff's Office at 352-754-6830. If outside Hernando County, please contact your local law enforcement agency.

Thank you.



Joan Kaloustian and Actual Vehicle

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