

— SHERIFF — Al Nienhuis

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<u>Media Release</u>

From: Michael Terry Deputy PIO, 352-797-3608

Re: MISSING ADULT – John Merry – 2023-29045

Date: September 15, 2023

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

John Merry was reported missing on 09-12-2023 and was last seen from about a month ago in the area of Fairlawn Street in Spring Hill. Merry also has ties to Pasco County.

Law enforcement has been unable to locate Merry.

John Merry's physical appearance is as follows:

Race – White Sex – Male DOB – 04-10-1988 Height – 6' 0'' Weight – 164 Eyes – Hazel Hair – Brown

If you have seen John Merry or know his current whereabouts, please call the Hernando County Sheriff's Office at 352-754-6830 or your local law enforcement agency.

Thank you.



John Merry

The Office of Sheriff:

The Office of the Sheriff is established by the Florida Constitution. As a constitutional officer, the Sheriff has the exclusive authority to administer his or her agency and is responsible for preserving the peace throughout the entire county, carrying out the laws of the state, the orders of Florida courts, and the ordinances of the Board of County Commissioners. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement and correctional officer of the county.

Sheriff Al Nienhuis was initially appointed as the Sheriff of Hernando County by the Governor in January of 2011. He was then elected by the people of Hernando County in 2012, ran unopposed in 2016, and was re-elected in 2020. Sheriff Nienhuis remains accountable to the people of Hernando County.