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## Media Release

From: Michael Terry

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Re: Brooksville Woman Charged with Trafficking in Fentanyl and

Methamphetamine Following Traffic Stop – 2024-00237416

Date: September 4, 2024

On 09-01-2024 at approximately 9:23 p.m., a Hernando County Sheriff's deputy conducted a traffic stop on California Street in Brooksville in reference to a driver operating a vehicle with an improperly installed tag light and a cracked tail lamp.

Deputy D. DiMartino III initially made contact with the driver and the vehicle's sole passenger, Tammie Taylor DOB/11-09-1987.

The driver advised Deputy DiMartino that there were illegal narcotics inside the vehicle and gave him permission to search the vehicle.

Deputies immediately located a lunchbox in the back seat of the vehicle, directly behind Taylor. The lunchbox contained a clear red baggie containing a clear rock-type substance (methamphetamine), a clear baggie containing a white powdery substance (fentanyl), and a yellow baggie containing a purple powdery substance (fentanyl).

Deputies also located multiple glass pipes, empty syringes, and clear plastic baggies. Several loose pieces of paper each containing a pill were also located in the lunchbox. The pills were later identified as Alprazolam. An identification card belonging to Taylor was also located inside the lunchbox.

Taylor was arrested at the scene and transported to the Hernando County Detention Center. Once at the jail, a secondary search of Taylor by detention deputies located a large clear plastic baggie containing a white powdery substance (fentanyl) in addition to several small plastic baggies each containing a rock-like substance, which tested positive for methamphetamine.

The total weight of the methamphetamine was 23.3 grams and the total weight of the fentanyl was 4.7 grams.

Taylor was charged with **Trafficking in Methamphetamine**, **Trafficking in Fentanyl**, **Possession of a Controlled Substance**, and Introduction of Contraband into a Detention **Facility**.

Taylor is currently being held on an \$80,000 bond.

**Hernando County Crime Stoppers / Anonymous Tips** 

If you have information on this case, please contact Hernando County Crime Stoppers. You will remain anonymous!

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You will remain anonymous and also be eligible for a reward up to \$5,000 cash!