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FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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NEWS RELEASE

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Stand-off on Beaverdam Lane Ends in Peaceful Surrender – LPR “Hit” Results in Arrest of Virginia Fugitive and Former ‘America’s Most Wanted’ Suspect

The Flagler County Sheriff’s Office License Plate Readers (LPRs) have assisted in another recovered stolen vehicle and the arrest of Virginia fugitive Michael Eugene Moore after an over three-hour stand-off with deputies.



Pictured Above: Michael Eugene Moore

On Saturday, January 26, at 3:41pm Flagler deputies were alerted that an LPR spotted a vehicle reported stolen during an armed robbery in Virginia on Palm Coast Parkway. Deputies located the stolen vehicle on Belle Terre Parkway and attempted a felony traffic stop. Moore eventually stopped his vehicle on Beaverdam Lane but then refused to exit the vehicle or comply with any of the deputy’s demands.

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FCSO established a perimeter and began to evacuate homes directly in the area. FCSO also activated the SWAT team and Hostage Negotiation Team along with K-9, fireflight and patrol deputies to secure the area.

Three hours later, FCSO negotiators were able to persuade Moore to surrender peacefully and he was taken into custody.

This is not Moore's first run-in with law enforcement. In 1996, Moore was featured on 'America's Most Wanted' after stabbing his wife 33 times and abducting his 5-year-old daughter. His wife survived. At the time of Moore's arrest today he had an active fugitive warrant for an assault and battery in Virginia. He is also being investigated for the armed robbery in Virginia where the victim was tied up and her car was stolen.

"This incident could have had a very different outcome," Sheriff Staly said. "This is a guy with an extremely violent history. We will never know what crimes we may have prevented by apprehending him tonight. I want to thank our citizens for their patience as we worked through this incident. I am very proud of our team and thankful that no one was injured and this violent offender is now in jail where he belongs."

Moore is currently at the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Deletion Facility. He is being charged with grand theft and resisting arrest without violence in Flagler County. He is also being held as a fugitive from justice for Virginia authorities.

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