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NEWS RELEASE

Date: Thursday, February 7, 2019

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Defendant Who Threatened to Blow Up Sheriff's Office, Kill Sheriff and Deputies, Sentenced to Prison

Raymond Anthony Crown, 52, was arrested on April 25, 2018 for Felony Criminal Mischief. He was additionally charged with two counts of Threats against a Law Enforcement Officer and one count of Threatening to Discharge a Destructive Device after making numerous statements on the way to the jail that he was going to blow up the Sheriff's Office and kill Sheriff Staly and the arresting deputy.

On January 25, 2019, Crown pled "No Contest" to the charges and was sentenced by Flagler County Judge Perkins to three years in prison followed by five years of probation. He will receive credit for 269 days of time served.

"Crown recently mailed me a letter from jail apologizing for the threats against my deputy and me," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "I hope that he is able to get the help he needs to become a productive member of society upon his release from prison."

Crown was transferred from the Flagler County jail to the Florida Department of Corrections on Wednesday, February 6, 2019.

Original News Story below:

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Suspect Threatens to Blow Up Sheriff's Office, Kill Sheriff and Deputies

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Flagler County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a criminal mischief complaint on Wednesday morning at 6024 Oceanshore Boulevard in Palm Coast. The complainant reported that a window to his home was broken and that two subjects smashed a window on his vehicle and slashed all four tires. One of the suspects also took two chainsaws from the complainant's vehicle.

The suspects were located and stopped on Palm Coast Parkway by a deputy on patrol. The vehicle they were traveling in contained a knife in the glove compartment and the two chainsaws that had been reported stolen. Raymond Crown, 52, and Robert Brandon, 48, were arrested. Crown was charged with grand theft and felony criminal mischief. Brandon was charged with felony criminal mischief and resisting arrest without violence.



Left: Raymond Crown Right: Robert Brandon in Wednesday's booking photos.

During transport to the Flagler County Detention Facility following the arrests, Crown made numerous statements that he was going to blow up the Sheriff's Office and kill Sheriff Staly. He also threatened to shoot Deputy Gaddie, the arresting deputy, and warned Deputy Gaddie to watch his back. Due to the threats made by Crown against law enforcement, he was additionally charged with two counts of threats to law enforcement officer and one count of threatening to throw, place or discharge a destructive device.

"We will not take threats of any kind lightly," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "Threatening to blow up buildings or kill law enforcement officers for doing their job will not be tolerated. Just this Tuesday, we had funeral services for two Florida deputies that were murdered while eating lunch. Threatening or attacking us will only get you taken to the Green Roof Inn quicker."

Crown is being held at the Flagler County Detention Facility with no bond. Brandon is held on a \$3,000.00 bond.

Crown has past arrests dating back to 2010 that include battery domestic violence and trespassing. Brandon has numerous arrests for violent offenses including aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, aggravated stalking, domestic battery, and felony battery.

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