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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **'Son of the Year' Arrested for Forging Late Mother's Checks**

BUNNELL, Fla. —On June 18, deputies from the Flagler County Sheriff's Office Fugitive Apprehension Unit located and arrested Thomas Frazzetto, 56, of Palm Coast, on a felony warrant for stealing thousands of dollars from his late mother's estate.

On December 2, 2024, just two months after Frazzetto's mother's passing, detectives from the FCSO began investigating a report of someone attempting to cash an unauthorized check in the amount of \$51,200. Further investigation revealed that Frazzetto had forged his late mother's signature on not only this check but also three others that he successfully cashed within days of her passing.

Using investigative means, detectives determined that Frazzetto had made numerous unauthorized transactions totaling over \$9,000, including a \$2,000 transaction via Zelle the day prior to his mother's death. According to a victim of the estate, Frazzetto's mother would have been incapacitated during this time and unable to make the cash transfer.

On June 18, the Fugitive Apprehension Unit and the Problem Area Crime Enforcement Unit arrested Frazzetto on a Flagler County warrant for grand theft and uttering forged instruments. He was transported to the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility, where he is being held on a \$10,000 bond.

Aside from this recent arrest, Frazzetto also has a history of drug possession, selling a Schedule 1 drug, simple battery and violation of probation.

"Stealing from a deceased family member is not only disgraceful, but its also criminal," said Sheriff Rick Staly. "Our detectives did a great job building this case to ensure this 'son of the year' would be brought to justice."

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Thomas Frazzetto (*Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility Mugshot*)

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