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Arrests Made for Possession of Child Pornography

Hanover, Va. – In January 2023, information was received from the Arlington Police Department in Texas, regarding the online solicitation of juvenile females by a Mechanicsville resident. As a result of their investigation, detectives with the Arlington Police Department obtained felony arrest warrants for Eric Michael Thomas, 46, of Mechanicsville. He was arrested by investigators from the Hanover County Sheriff's Office on January 12, 2023.

As a result of the information received from the Arlington Police Department, and statements made by Thomas, Hanover investigators obtained a search warrant for his residence. On Friday, February 10, 2023, the search warrant was executed at Thomas' residence in the 10000 block of Still Creek Lane. As a result of a thorough investigation and evidence collected, Thomas was charged with 10 counts of Possession of Child Pornography (F).

Thomas is currently incarcerated at Pamunkey Regional Jail. A booking photo is attached.

Anyone with further information about this case is asked to contact the Hanover County Sheriff's Office at (804) 365-6140 or the Metro Richmond Crime Stoppers at (804) 780-1000. Citizens can also download the "P3 Tips" app for their mobile device to submit their tip. Both Crime Stoppers methods are anonymous.

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