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For Immediate Release:

Today's Date: June 11, 2007
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Release #: 2007-058
Case #: 07-007042
Incident Date: June 11, 2007
Incident Time: 7:33 A.M.
Incident Location: 1030 SE 4th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32602 (Gainesville Food Store)

Robbery:

Alachua County Sheriff's Office deputies on routine patrol this morning observed a masked black male running northbound at the 400 block of Williston Road. The subject was being chased by a bleeding man who advised he had just been robbed. Deputies Taylor and Gabbard called for back up and continued to chase the fleeing suspect. A perimeter was established around the area by ASO deputies and Gainesville Police Department officers. The suspect was apprehended and returned to the Gainesville Food Store where he was positively identified by the victim.

Steven Dawayne Townsend, B/M, DOB 7/15/1972, of Gainesville, was arrested and charged with Robbery, Battery, and Resisting Arrest without Violence. He was later booked into the ACSO Department of the Jail.