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MEDIA ADVISORY

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Investigators conducting death investigation at the John E. Polk Correctional Facility

Seminole Co. Fla., (June 3, 2019) – The Seminole County Sheriff's Office is investigating a death at the John E. Polk Correctional Facility (JEPCF) of inmate Thomas Harry Brill, 56, of San Diego.

Shortly before 10 p.m. last night, JEPCF staff performing routine checks of inmates discovered Brill unresponsive in his cell and hanging from a bedsheet that was tied around his neck. JEPCF staff immediately began CPR and utilized an AED in an attempt to revive Brill, but all efforts to save him were unsuccessful. He was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced deceased shortly after arrival.

The preliminary investigation indicates the incident was a suicide, and there are no signs of foul play or suspicious circumstances surrounding his death.

Brill had been incarcerated in the John E. Polk Correctional Facility since May 27 for grand theft of a motor vehicle.

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