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*****PRESS RELEASE*****

For Immediate Release

On Friday, August 27, 2021, Sheriff Troy Peterson announced the arrest of 46 year old Jeremy Childress who resides at 19334 Haley Road in Saucier on one count of Murder

According to Sheriff Troy Peterson, on August 27, 2021 the Harrison County Sheriff Office received information from the Neshoba County Sheriff's Office that they had arrested Childress in Neshoba County after responding to a domestic related call which resulted in a brief standoff. Authorities in Neshoba County stated after his arrest Childress told them he had shot and killed his girlfriend at 19334 Haley Road in Saucier, MS. Harrison County Sheriff Deputies responded to the Harley Rd. address and upon entry into the residence found a female, identified as 52 year old Michelle Hester, deceased from an apparent gunshot wound. Upon further investigation and with the assistance of Neshoba County Sheriff's Office, Harrison County Sheriff's Investigators determined that Childress was responsible for the murder.

Jeremy Childress was charged with murder and is being held at Neshoba County Sheriff's Office awaiting transport to the Harrison County Adult Detention Facility. Jeremy Childress will be held in lieu of a \$1,000,000.00 dollar bond set by Judge Melvin Ray.

Investigative Officer: Inv. Nickolas Pennington _____

Arresting Officer(s): Inv. Nickolas Pennington

Approved For Release: _____

Troy J. Peterson, Sheriff, Harrison County, Mississippi