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RE: Alexis Murphy case

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I want to first say that we continue to hope that Alexis will be found safe and returned to her family.

Yesterday, with the arrest of Randy Allen Taylor, we made a significant step closer towards bringing her home.

Taylor, age 48, of Thomas Nelson Highway, Lovingston, Virginia was taken into custody Sunday afternoon without incident.

He remains in jail without bond.

At some point, there will be an advisement hearing in the Nelson County General District Court where Taylor will be advised of his right to have an attorney represent him. As of right now, I do not know when that will be.

As the Commonwealth's Attorney, I cannot get into the specific details concerning the arrest of Randy Taylor because I am ethically prohibited from making pre-trial statements that could affect an eventual

trial.

I am reminded once again of how close and tight-knit Nelson County is.

This has been, and continues to be, a great example of multiple law enforcement agencies working together.

I do want to mention several people and I know there are some that I will forget to mention.

I want to thank...

- **Sheriff Brooks and Inv. William Mays of the Nelson County Sheriff's Office.**

- **FBI**
- **the Virginia State Police**
- **K-9 Alert Search & Rescue Dogs, Inc.**
- **Area businesses and churches who have prepared meals for everyone during this past week.**

As the investigation continues, we appreciate everyone's cooperation and support as we continue in the search for Alexis Murphy.

I want to assure her family and the Nelson County community that we will keep looking - as long as it takes - to find her.

And we continue to ask the public to calling in with tips and critical information... particularly if you know Randy Taylor or recognize him.

Thank you.

