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**Sheriff Kandy Fatherree**

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## **Subject Arrested After Standoff**

On July 1, 2024, Summit County Sheriff's deputies attempted to serve a felony arrest warrant on James Swisher Jr., age 41 of Akron. The deputies attempted to locate Mr. Swisher at a residence on Elma Avenue in the City of Akron. When the deputies arrived, they observed three males outside of the residence, including Mr. Swisher. Two of the males spoke to the deputies, while Mr. Swisher fled inside the residence. It was determined one of the males, identified as George Sport, age 56 of Akron had two outstanding felony warrants for his arrest. He was arrested and transported to the Summit County Jail.

Deputies attempted to get Mr. Swisher to exit the residence. Additional Summit County Sheriff's deputies, detectives, and Akron Police Officers responded to the scene. In addition, the Summit County Sheriff's SWAT Team, Hostage Negotiation Team, and Drone Team responded to get Mr. Swisher out of the residence. The Summit County Sheriff's Detective Bureau obtained a search warrant for the residence.

After a four-hour standoff, The Sheriff's SWAT Team made entry into the residence and located Mr. Swisher hiding in the basement. Mr. Swisher was arrested on charges of Trafficking in Drugs, Heaving a Weapon While Under Disability, Domestic Violence, Possession of Drugs, and Assault. He was transported to the Summit County Jail.