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DATE: March 21, 2016

TO: Sergeant Grenier

FROM: Maranee Weger #1996

SUBJECT: G. Paulson

On 3/21/2017, I was assigned to work in "A" module at the MADF. As the morning progressed Starting Point came into the unit and classes began. There are several new inmates in the unit who were unable to participate in today's class but had to fill out paperwork and once completed, they were instructed to head back to their assigned cells until programs could get them into the computer to account for their programming time.

While on a round inmate [redacted] flagged me down to ask me a question. I recognized [redacted] from prior in custody experiences and keyed open her cell door to speak with her. [redacted] asked me, "Does C.O. Garrett Paulson still worked here?" [redacted] then insinuated that I knew what was "going on." I told her that I had only heard scuttle butt and had no official knowledge of any incident. I told [redacted] that from what I had heard, it did not look good for Deputy Paulson. [redacted] then told me, "I wish he hadn't said anything, I totally denied everything." I asked [redacted] to explain it from her standpoint.

[redacted] stated, "[redacted] told on Paulson and said that she ([redacted]) had heard [redacted] stated that she had performed a blow job" (on Paulson.) [redacted] stated that "her cell door was open for over an hour and that the cleaning closet in "R-module was open so that it blocked vision to her cell."[redacted] also told me that [redacted] was her neighbor and was the one who ratted.

Over the course of the conversation I told [redacted] that I had heard there was a crime report written but I had not seen it.[redacted] seemed genuinely

concerned for Paulson and in no way acted like a victim. My perspective was that she genuinely cared for Paulson. She knew details about his personal life such as he was raising a baby. I told [redacted] that it sounded to me like Paulson had stepped over the line, no matter what. I then stated that I had heard there was some petting and kissing between Paulson and [redacted]. [redacted] confirmed that this had happened. I inquired what [redacted] had to do with the incident since I know they had both been moved to "A" module on the same night. [redacted] told me that "Paulson had shined his flashlight into [redacted] cell on numerous occasions for longer than the usual time." She did not elaborate. I ended my conversation with [redacted] and continued on my round.

As I approached [redacted] door, she also flagged me down. [redacted] stated, "I saw you talking to [redacted] and I just had to know? Is Paulson OK? She then stated, "I want it to be known that I did not say anything." I told [redacted] that I had heard it wasn't good for Paulson. [redacted] did not elaborate, but just appeared to want to protect herself. [redacted] did state that "It was going to be weird, being housed in a unit where Paulson's sister worked." It was clear to me that [redacted] believed H. Paulson to be G. Paulson's sister. I told her she had bad information and that the two were not related.

I continued on my rounds and returned to my desk. As it would happen Sergeant Grenier came into the unit on an unscheduled round. I told him that both girls had spoken to me regarding the incident. I also confirmed that I had only heard jail "rumors" about Paulson. I had not seen the report, nor was I at work over the weekend. I honestly did not want to get wrapped up in and IA investigation but know it is my duty to report findings, especially when a co-worker's job is on the line.