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Subject: Facebook Post - Tim Paul's arrest (other matters)

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Sheriff Wayne Ivey
Brevard County, Florida

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Ref: The arrest & "punishment" of Timothy James Paul

Sheriff (others as FYI):

Our publication (VolusiaExposed.Com) anticipate posting an article here shortly which will highlight a recent BCSO Facebook post apparently made by yourself regarding the arrest and "punishment" of Timothy James Paul.

Mr. Paul was arrested a short time back under the charge of domestic violence.

Below is a link to our developing article – with your apparent Facebook post
<http://volusiaexposed.com/brevard/bcso/timothyjamespaul82019.html>

Within this Facebook post – the paragraph which reads - "***If you are tough enough to commit Domestic Violence then be tough enough to stand and face your punishment, cause if you don't K-9 Merle will make sure you are going straight to jail where you belong !!***" - causes us (VolusiaExposed.Com) some concern.

It is of interest, that the local publication SpaceCoastDaily.Com reprinted your Facebook posting – absent the above paragraph. The SCD article is noted as being authored by yourself.
<http://spacecoastdaily.com/2019/07/brevard-county-sheriffs-office-k-9-merle-takes-a-bite-out-of-crime/>

Sheriff, what "punishment" should Mr. Paul be tough enough to face? Was the physical force applied against Mr. Paul used strictly to take him into custody – or was that force also a form of punishment?

Could your Facebook post possibly instill the belief throughout the ranks of the BCSO – that they are official "punishers" - further instilling within them the belief that they can "use force" as a "punishment"?

Did Mr. Gregory Edwards, shortly before his in-custody death, face BCSO "punishment" at the hands of your deputies for his alleged battery of your deputy?

Video that documents a police use of force has been known to be very revealing. Recently, three Florida correctional officers were arrested and charged with battery of an inmate, with one

officer being additionally charged with filing a false report. Absent the video evidence, the officers probably would have never been charged.

<http://volusiaexposed.com/fldoc/docinmatebeating72019a.html>

This publication recently submitted a public record request for the jail video attached to the Edwards incident. The statutory exemption your agency is apparently hiding behind can be waived – and makes no sense, since your agency has posted videos of the inside of the Brevard County jail. So Sheriff Ivey, be tough – be brave – and put into practice the U.S. Constitution that you have tattooed to your arm, and release the Edwards video – in similar fashion as you released the picture of Mr. Paul, after he had faced his “punishment” from K-9 Merle.

Please feel free to provide us with any comments that you feel may correct any perceived errors or misunderstandings.

Regards,

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