### PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BUREAU INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: AUGUST 4, 2021

TO: DISTRIBUTION

FROM: CAPTAIN DEANNA CAREY LT. Kingh Marc, #50037 Professional Standards Bureau For Capiton Carey

#### SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S FINDING

Per Sheriff Gualtieri, Deputy Jared Toro, #59807, will receive the following as a result of AI-21-002:

1. A one hundred and twenty (120) hours Suspension reduced to twenty four (24) hours. The remaining ninety six (96) hours will be imposed if there is any further substantiated complaint/policy violation or misconduct within a one (1) year period from July 22, 2021. The twenty four (24) hours Suspension will be served on:

August 25, 2021 (12 hours), and August 26, 2021 (12 hours).

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# PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: JULY 22, 2021

TO: DEPUTY JARED TORO, #59807

# FROM: SHERIFF BOB GUALTIERI

# SUBJECT: CHARGES RE: AI-21-002

An investigation has been conducted by the Administrative Investigation Division, Professional Standards Bureau, of the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office. As a result of this investigation, the Administrative Review Board has determined you committed the following violation:

On, but not limited to, February 10, 2021, while off duty in Pinellas County, Florida, you violated the Pinellas County Sheriff's Civil Service Act Laws of Florida, 89-404 as amended by Laws of Florida 08-285, Section 6, Subsection 4, by violating the provisions of law or the rules, regulations, and operating procedures of the Office of the Sheriff.

- 1. You violated Pinellas County Sheriff's Office General Order 3-1.3, Rule and Regulation 3.1, Standard of Conduct.
- You violated Pinellas County Sheriff's Office General Order 3-1.3, Rule and Regulation 3.3, Knowledge of, and Obedience to Laws and Rules and Regulations.

On February 10, 2021, while you were off duty at your private residence and preparing for your shift, you were involved in a domestic dispute with your girlfriend and cohabitant. During this dispute, there was alleged physical contact between the two of you. As the argument continued, you physically restrained your girlfriend's hands behind her back using your handcuffs before seating her on the floor. Cell phone records and testimony indicated your girlfriend was physically restrained for at least three (3) minutes.

During this incident, you failed to call 911, use your agency issued radio to request assistance or notify your supervision regarding what transpired.

You left your residence and responded to your area of assignment to begin your shift. During the early hours of your shift, you met another deputy informing him of what had transpired. For approximately three and a half (3 1/2) hours, you worked your shift and did not report this incident to a supervisor. Additionally, you exchanged multiple text messages with your girlfriend discussing the events that occurred at your residence. At some point during this exchange of text messages, your girlfriend indicated she would report the earlier incident to the Administrative Investigation Division.

A short time later, you located a sergeant at the Sheriff's Administration Building where you reported the incident.

Upon learning what had transpired between you and your girlfriend, the sergeant notified a lieutenant and a criminal investigation was initiated. At the conclusion of the investigation, probable cause was established and you were arrested for domestic battery and false imprisonment.

During your Administrative Interview, you testified your attempt at taking law enforcement action during this incident was a "conflict of interest" and "I could have retreated from the residence and just called for help." During your Administrative Review Board, you admitted nothing had prevented you from removing yourself from the situation before it escalated. You further admitted that you did not immediately report this incident to your supervision.

Your arrest as a result of this incident brought discredit to the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.

You admitted to these violations.

# Disciplinary Points and Recommended Discipline Range:

You were found to be in violation of two (2) Level Three Rule and Regulation violations totaling twenty-five (25) points. These points, which were affected by twenty-five (25) points from previous discipline, resulted in fifty (50) progressive discipline points. At this point level, the recommended discipline range is from a five (5) days Suspension to Termination.

Disciplinary action shall be consistent with progressive discipline for cause in accordance with the provisions of the Pinellas County Civil Service Act.

MAJOR DENNIS KOMAR PATROL OPERATIONS BUREAU FOR BOB GUALTIERI, SHERIFF

I have received a copy:

3/21 Date Time

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