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DADE COUNTY POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, INC.

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Dear fellow brother/sister:

Throughout my career, I have seen many **gross miscarriages of justice** come out of the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office, but seldom one as gross and disgusting as the recent arrest of one of our own, fellow North Miami police officer, Jonathon Aledda. And, all for purely self-serving, political BS reasons.

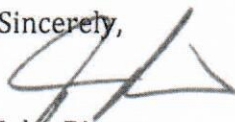
The State Attorney's weak strength of character has allowed the arrest of heroes, all while career criminals regularly get off with a nolle prose or disgustingly low plea offers. That being said, what happened to Officer Aledda can easily happen to anyone of us who is out there simply doing our job and trying to protect this community. It is no secret that the State Attorney's Office has been chomping at the bit to arrest an officer regardless of any evidence or even wrong doing! But, that will all come out in due time.

This story is sad on so many levels; including the fact that Officer Aledda gave up medical school because he wanted to help the community in a different way, through public safety-only to find his actions scrutinized by a State Attorney's office who is more concerned with politics than justice, by cowards, by Monday morning quarterbacks who wouldn't know police work if it bit them in the rear, by media folks looking for ratings and by a public whose wavering support changes with the wind.

What's important now is that we all pray for our brother officer and lend our support. Thankfully, he is a PBA member and his legal fees are fully covered, a benefit that has always separated the PBA from other labor organizations. In the coming days and weeks, as we fully back up our officer and expose the how horrific and malicious this arrest is, we will assist our own in other various ways also. We hope you will join us.

In the meantime, continue to care for one another, back each other up and remember that doing over and above what is necessary to get by only exposes you to greater risk. Take care of one another and know that the PBA has your back, as we do with Officer Aledda.

Sincerely,



John Rivera
President