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CHARGES

Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, is charged with violating the following rules contained in Article V of the Rules and Regulations of the Chicago Police Department, which were in full force and effect on the date of the alleged violations:

- Rule 2: Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department.
- Rule 6: Disobedience of an order or directive, whether written or oral.
- Rule 9: Engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty.
- Rule 14: Making a false report, written or oral.
- Rule 38: Unlawful or unnecessary use or display of a weapon.

SPECIFICATIONS

1. Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, is charged with violating Rule 2, "any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department," in the following instances:
 - Count I: On April 18, 2002, at approximately 1900 hours, in the vicinity of 1754 N. Long, while off duty, Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, brought discredit upon the Department by engaging in an unjustified verbal altercation with Anthony Baines.
 - Count II: On April 18, 2002, at approximately 1900 hours, in the vicinity of 1754 N. Long, while off duty, Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, brought discredit upon the Department by unnecessarily displaying and/or pointing his weapon at Mr. Anthony Baines.
 - Count III: On April 18, 2002, at approximately 1900 hours, in the vicinity of 1754 N. Long, while off duty, Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, brought discredit upon the Department by discharging a firearm at Jarvis O'Dell without justification.
 - Count IV: On July 19, 2002, at approximately 1000 hours, in a statement at the Office of Professional Standards, Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, brought discredit upon the Department by making a false report when he stated one or more of the following: that he feared for his life when he discharged his weapon at a citizen, that "bricks" were thrown at him, that Anthony Baines was engaged in narcotics activity during the alleged incident, that Jarvis O'Dell had made hand

gestures suggesting that he was armed and that Officer Paxton did not point his weapon at Anthony Baines.

2. Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, is charged with violating Rule 6, "disobedience of an order or directive, whether written or oral," in the following instance:

Count I: On April 18, 2002, at approximately 1900 hours, in the vicinity of 1754 N. Long, while off duty, Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, violated General Order 86-08, Section III, paragraph A and/or B when he discharged a firearm at Jarvis O'Dell.

3. Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, is charged with violating Rule 9, "engaging in any unjustified verbal or physical altercation with any person, while on or off duty," in the following instance:

Count I: On April 18, 2002, at approximately 1900 hours, in the vicinity of 1754 N. Long, while off duty, Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, engaged in an unjustified verbal altercation with Anthony Baines.

4. Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, is charged with violating Rule 14, "making a false report, written or oral," in the following instance:

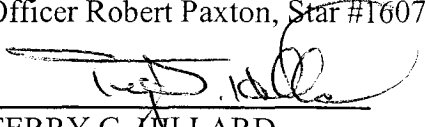
Count I: On July 19, 2002, at approximately 1000 hours, in a statement at the Office of Professional Standards, Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, made a false report when he stated one or more of the following: that he feared for his life when he discharged his weapon at a citizen, that "bricks" were thrown at him, that Anthony Baines was engaged in narcotics activity during the alleged incident, that Jarvis O'Dell had made hand gestures suggesting that he was armed and that Officer Paxton did not point his weapon at Anthony Baines.

5. Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, is charged with violating Rule 38, "unlawful or unnecessary use or display of a weapon," in the following instance:

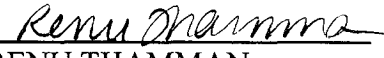
Count I: On April 18, 2002, at approximately 1900 hours, in the vicinity of 1754 N. Long, while off duty, Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, unnecessarily displayed and/or pointed a firearm at Anthony Baines.

Count II: On April 18, 2002, at approximately 1900 hours, in the vicinity of 1754 N. Long, while off duty, Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #16076, unnecessarily discharged a firearm at Jarvis O'Dell.

Based on the foregoing charges and specifications, the Superintendent recommends that Police Officer Robert Paxton, Star #T6076, be separated from the Chicago Police Department.


TERRY G. HILLARD
Superintendent of Police

APPROVED AS TO FORM


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