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George Little
Acting Secretary
Department of Corrections
1920 Technology Parkway
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

Dear Acting Secretary Little:

Recently, a video circulating on social media was brought to my attention featuring Miranda Galbreath, a licensed therapist who reportedly works with sex offenders in Pennsylvania prisons, describing pedophiles as a “marginalized minority” in society.

To say I am disturbed would be an understatement. Galbreath makes some indefensible claims during the 10-plus minute video that attempts to destigmatize adults who sexually abuse children as misunderstood and vilified. She argues the term “pedophile” is “a judgmental, hurtful insult” meant to slander “minor attracted persons,” who – not unlike heterosexual and homosexual adults – don’t get to choose their sexual preferences.

She has the nerve to suggest using the word “pedophile ... causes harm” to those convicted of sexual crimes against children. This revolting rhetoric prioritizes the humanity of child abusers over the protection and healing of their victims.

Galbreath’s reprehensible views have no place in our state prisons, let alone our society. I demand her professional relationship with our state end immediately and request a response regarding her involvement in counseling inmates at state correctional institutions and the extent to which this extremist ideology has infiltrated the department.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug Mastriano".

Doug Mastriano
State Senator, 33rd District