

## For Immediate Release October 26, 2023

On Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, the City of Pembroke was notified by Bryan County High School administrators that a School Resource Officer (SRO) had communication with a high school student that was inconsistent with his role as a SRO. Upon initial review of the information presented by Bryan County High School, the City of Pembroke placed the officer on administrative leave Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. On Tuesday October 24<sup>th</sup> the officer was terminated. Upon learning of these events, we contacted the Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI) to conduct an independent investigation. The officer is no longer an employee of the City of Pembroke's Police Department. At this time no further information is available pending completion of the independent investigation being conducted by GBI.