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Dear Mr. Schreffler,

Enclosed are my notes Regarding [REDACTED] and my talks with him and with his mother since May 3, 1998. I hope they will be useful to the investigation, even if only as corroboration. I have been pleased with the response of [REDACTED] mother and with all agencies involved. The gravity of the incidents seems to be well appreciated. I especially appreciate your concerns for [REDACTED] well being after the investigation is completed.

Please do not hesitate to call me if I can be of any help in this matter.

Sincerely,

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On May 4, 1998, at 7:43am, [REDACTED] mother called on my emergency voicemail line, asking that I return a call soon, before the children were awake. She said "I need you to tell me I'm crazy" because she did not want to believe that her suspicions were true. She relayed the events of the previous evening, trying to check whether she may be overreacting about the events her son reported.

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She had been invited to a banquet for volunteers at [REDACTED] and had delayed her attending by one hour. She wanted to be present for her son's departure with Jerry Sandusky for an evening of weight-lifting. She was very grateful for the attention the Second Mile Program and Mr. Sandusky had given her son up until that night. She had been happy that [REDACTED] had the opportunity to be with male role models, especially since the family lives quite a distance from the children's father. She knew [REDACTED] was excited about the evening and he had always been pleased about the Second Mile events and activities he had experienced. Her college-age daughter, [REDACTED] was waiting with her and present when Mr. Sandusky arrived to pick [REDACTED] up. Ms. [REDACTED] noted that she thought it odd that Mr. Sandusky made little eye contact and left quickly and reports that her daughter thought he seemed a bit "witty", unlike their expectations of him. [REDACTED] babysat the other two children while Ms. [REDACTED] attended the banquet and reported that [REDACTED] got home a few minutes before Ms. [REDACTED] did.

She reported that [REDACTED] related generally having a good time and, at end, on his way out of the room added "We took a shower, just in case you're wondering why my hair's wet". Since his hair didn't seem very wet and she knows it is her son's pattern to add topics he finds upsetting at the end of a talk, she asked more about it while tucking him in. He was defensive immediately, saying "I knew you'd make a big deal of it" but continuing to relay the evening's events. He reported that he was taken to what seemed like an empty building, near the ice skating rink, and they lifted weights and did wrestling. Afterwards Jerry told him, they would shower. "He said, all the guys do." In the shower, he reported that Jerry played a game, coming up behind him, saying he would "squeeze his guts out" and hugging [REDACTED] from behind. [REDACTED] wanted his mother not to say anything because Mr. Sandusky had promised to take him to the movies and to let him sit on the bench with him at Penn State football games. [REDACTED] told his mother that he asked Mr. Sandusky if she could come with him to football events, because she likes football, and he said "no, just you".

Mother had talked with a policeman's wife and had names of police to contact. I advised that she was not overreacting and that she should proceed with reporting it. I would meet with them at 3:00 that day.

At 3:00pm I met with [REDACTED] who appeared worried and eager to pick up on a previous discussion we had. He seemed in conflict, wide-eyed and sitting right down to talk. (Usually [REDACTED] wanders around the office, looking at things to play with while we decide what to do.) He reported worry that his mother may be making too much of what happened last night. He said he did not want Mr. Sandusky to be in trouble. [REDACTED] reported he was feeling "like the luckiest kid in the world" to get to sit on the sidelines at Penn State football". He was visibly anxious, repeating "I don't think he meant anything by it" after confirming what he had reported to his mother. He said yes, they were alone in the building, and confirmed the shower incidents including squeezing from behind with both of them naked. He repeated the promises Mr. Sandusky made including going to the movies and to games with him. I asked about other behavior in the shower and he said he splashed him and played around. He was reluctant to talk about it, saying "He's married so I don't think he meant anything. He admitted he was uncomfortable and we agreed that he wouldn't need to go through

that again, but he was worried about what to do next. He said he could just refuse to shower the next time. He didn't want anyone to talk with Mr. Sandusky, because then he might not invite him to the games. We wondered about what Mr. Sandusky's reaction would be if he was not ever alone with him again, but [REDACTED] quickly said "No, then he might say, don't you feel comfortable alone?" Then he wondered if [REDACTED] could go with him. That [REDACTED] was worried about risking the relationship by telling these things, but worried about the incidents also, was clear. He would say it was "sorta weird" but then deny that anything was really wrong. Due to his discomfort and to respond to his stated interests in the session, we moved on to discussion of ways of handling his feelings. We worked on anger feelings and he did some good release work on a chair with a tennis racquet, hitting it hard, repeatedly, and reporting that it felt good. We talked about getting a punching bag and improvised other less expensive possibilities. We made calls about pricing a medicine ball (heavy physical therapy ball). I suggested bags of potting soil in a duffle bag. At the end [REDACTED] asked me not to tell his mother this, because she'd be upset, but that after he finished lifting on some of the machines, Mr. Sandusky kissed his head and said "I love you."

Ms. [REDACTED] afterwards told me that somewhere in the middle of the evening Jerry had [REDACTED] try on his clothes to exercise in. She found that odd because he was already in play clothes. She also reported that [REDACTED] took another shower upon waking that day, unusual behavior for [REDACTED] and for many other 11 year-old boys. [REDACTED] had not slept well.

I got Ms. [REDACTED]'s release of information to report the incident to the Pennsylvania child abuse line and to consult with colleagues without sharing specific names. She also signed a released to Officer Ronald Schreffler, the criminal investigator she and [REDACTED] had seen today.

My consultants agree that the incidents meet all of our definitions, based on experience and education, of a likely pedophile's pattern of building trust and gradual introduction of physical touch, within a context of a "loving", "special" relationship. One colleague who has contact with the Second Mile confirms that Mr. Sandusky is reasonably intelligent and thus, could hardly have failed to understand the way his behavior would be interpreted, if known. His position at the Second Mile and his interest in abused boys would suggest that he was likely to have had knowledge with regard to child abuse and might even recognize this behavior as a typical pedophile "overture".

On May 5, I met with Ms. [REDACTED] who reports that [REDACTED] said to her "I know you did the right thing, Mom, but my heart hurts. I'll bet he won't take me to football games anymore".

Ms. [REDACTED] reported to me that [REDACTED] reported that Mr. Sandusky also picked him up to lift him closer to the shower head to rinse his hair. He says he "doesn't remember", when asked other questions. She said that [REDACTED] said that he was also told he would get to go to Mr. Sandusky's house, where he has a cool computer. He could sit on his lap and they would go "online".

On May 7, Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] has said that when he went into the shower there were four shower heads and he went to the furthest away from Mr. Sandusky, but Mr. Sandusky called him back to the one next to his by indicating that he already had turned it on for him. She reports that [REDACTED] is up often throughout the night and seems to be sleeping poorly.

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