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EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 012 - a system of the Atlantic Commonwealth Department

Ordering the Investigation of the Atlantic Commonwealth Department of Corrections

June 24th, 2023

Whereas, over the past two decades, there has been an increase in <u>sexual abuse</u> allegations and <u>cases</u> within the Atlantic Commonwealth Prisons;

Whereas, the Atlantic Commonwealth is responsible for providing a safe environment for incarcerated inmates within state prisons;

Whereas, it is immoral and unjust to ignore allegations against Prison Guards;

Whereas, the AC Department of Correction shall be held to the highest standard;

Now, Therefore, I, Chris B. Frost, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the Atlantic Commonwealth, do hereby **DECLARE** and **ORDER** that:

- 1. The Inspector General of the Atlantic Commonwealth and their office investigate all sexual abuse reports, complaints, cases, and testimonies against the Atlantic Commonwealth Department of Corrections and Correctional Officers.
 - a. The Inspector General shall be authorized to review all former sexual abuse reports, complaints, cases, and testimonies against the Atlantic Commonwealth Department of Corrections and Correctional Officers.
- 2. The Inspector General shall compile a report of all findings and submit such to the Assembly and Governor of the Atlantic Commonwealth.
 - a. The report shall be released to the public immediately after being submitted to the Assembly and Governor.

3. The Inspector General shall recommend any charges and give any findings to the Attorney General for review and possible prosecution.

APPROVED this 24th day of June 2023.

Governor Chris Frost

3rd Governor of the Atlantic Commonwealth