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Wagoner County Sheriff Chris Elliott's Statement Regarding Petition for Grand Jury Investigation

I am aware of a petition requesting a grand jury investigation into the management of the Wagoner County Jail and related litigation. As the elected sheriff, I respect the public's right to seek transparency and oversight but categorically deny any allegations of mismanagement or misconduct.

My office remains committed to the county jail's safe, lawful, and professional operation. As Sheriff, I have consistently sought funds for better facilities, training, and oversight of the jail operations to improve the services this office provides to the community.

We will fully cooperate with any lawful investigation and are confident that a thorough and objective review of the facts will confirm that our practices are sound and in accordance with our responsibilities to the community as jail administrators and law enforcement officers when all the facts are known.

We ask the public to avoid speculation and understand that several of the allegations are simply false. The petition is one-sided and an incomplete account of each incident alleged. Transparency and accountability remain core values of this office, and we stay focused on our mission to protect and serve the people of Wagoner County.

Sheriff Chris Elliott, Wagoner County Sheriff's Office 05/02/2025

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