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To Your Honorable, Judge

U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida

Jacksonville Division

300 North Hogan Street

Jacksonville, FL 32202

A Letter of Helpful Support for my dad (Step Father), Christopher Daragjati's Sentencing:

This letter is made to hopefully help my dad and his sentencing. In this letter I'm going to describe myself, describe my relationship with my dad, talk about past experiences that I've had with my dad, describe everything I know about my dad, state my opinion on my dad, and any other information that will help my dad and his sentencing.

My name is Fabien Philippe Vauthrin. I live with my aunt and uncle, my aunt is my dad's sister, and my uncle is my dad's brother-in-law. I also live with my four cousins and my brother and sister. I have lived with them for about a year now. I am 19 years of age, my brother is 13 years of age and, my sister is 12 years of age. my brother's name is J [REDACTED] D [REDACTED] and my sister's name is M [REDACTED] D [REDACTED]. My current state of employment is working at an Amazon sort center facility, I started working at amazon in January 2023. I've had 2 other jobs before Amazon, my first job was a Mcdonald's employee for about a month while I was 17 turning 18 from December 2021 to January 2022, and my 2nd job was an employee at a Circle K gas station, I worked there for about 2 months when I was 18 in June and July of 2022. I was born on [REDACTED]

Even though my dad (Christopher Daragjati) is technically my stepdad, to me he is much more than that, to me he is like a real father, a best friend, and much more that I don't even know how to explain. He has honestly been the only person in my life in the past 7 to 8 years that can put a true smile on my face. My dad has always been there for my brother, my sister, and myself whenever we needed him.

When I was about 12 my mother (Suesan Daragjati) passed away sadly due to a medical issue. And when that tragedy happened my dad was broken, I didn't know how to feel, and my brother and sister were too young to understand what happened at the time. But even though that happened, my dad stood strong and took care of all three of us, I would always try to help him with anything I possibly could help him with, because I always felt sorry for him. He took care of us for about 5 to 7 months after my mother's death, I'm not too sure how long it was exactly. After that my biological father (Jerome Vauthrin), which is someone I've never really liked at all throughout my entire life came and took me from my dad, because my dad (Christopher Daragjati) didn't have custody over me at the time, my mother did, so I had to go live with my biological father in Maryland for about almost 2 years. My brother and sister ended up living with our aunts and uncles while I was in Maryland, and my dad was trying to figure things out in my understanding during that time, I'm not too sure. But we all ended up back together again after those 1 to 2 years of missing each other a lot. Then after that my dad ended up taking care of all of us again, with the help of our aunts and uncles, from then until about last year.

I am very aware of what my dad has done, and I understand that what he has done is a crime. When I found out that he did what he did I didn't know how to feel or what to say, the biggest part of me felt bad for my dad, because I wished I could do something to prevent all of it or help him in some way, but I never knew any of it was happening. But in my opinion, I'm not angry, I'm not disappointed, I am a little sad about it, but other than that I don't really know how to feel or how I'm supposed to feel about the whole situation. All I know is that my brother, my sister, and myself all miss and love our dad very much. Every time we get to talk to our dad on the phone, we get very happy, because our dad is honestly the only person that we can have a real conversation with and open ourselves up to. The relationship we have with our dad is one of a kind, we don't have that kind of relationship with anyone else, in our eyes he's everything, he's the only one that knows how to put a smile on our faces. In my whole life, from what I can remember, I have never had any issues or complaints about my dad, my dad and I have always been close. He even respected my wish of not wanting a stepmom, I don't know how he has been able to survive without having a companion for as long as he has, it still amazes me to this day, but he has always been strong like that in my brother's, my sister's, and my own eyes.

That's all I really have to say, but again our dad is our everything, and we miss him and love him more than anything. Thank you for reading this, it is much appreciated.

-Sincerely, Fabien Philippe Vauthrin



Gasper J. Daragjati

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Monday, October 9, 2023

The Honorable Judge Timothy Corrigan
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
Jacksonville Division
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Dear Judge Corrigan,

I am writing this letter to provide the court with addition information about Chirstopher Daragjati for the upcoming sentencing hearing and I hope it will be helpful to Judge Corrigan.

My name is Gasper Daragjati and I currently live with my sister Tammy and her family, in Middleburg Florida. I am 42 years old and don't have any children. I have lived with Christopher and his kids since my divorce from my ex-wife. I work for Progressive Insurance Agency full time as a home-based sales agent. I currently volunteer at my local church 2-3 days a week. I also volunteer at the Prison Ministry and have bible study with the inmates at Clay County Jail.

I understand that Christopher Daragjati's actions were criminal, and I was very surprised the day he got arrested. Chistopher is my brother and I have lived with him for a few years prior to his arrest. I was in contact with him every day when we lived together. Now that he is incarcerated, we talk weekly on the phone and sometimes message each other on the app. I send him pictures of his kids and we talk about some bible verses and Christian music, most of the time.

Christopher has always worked hard to support his family. He always put others' needs in front of his own. I have seen him give people food right off his plate, especially children. I have seen him give money and food to the homeless in our community many times. I



watched him give away his last dollar, knowing he did not have anything left for himself. I have seen him struggle many times and I know he has had a difficult time since his wife passed away.

His children are everything to him. He has three kids Fabien, Joshua, and Maddeline. His wife Sussie died when they were young. She had end-stage renal failure, and her passing crushed my brother's spirit. It hurts me to see him like this because the Christopher I know was a good hard working Christian man. We used to work together at Aflac selling insurance. We went to the same church, and he even sang in the choir. His wife was a good woman, she always pushed him to do better for himself and his family. When she got sick, he needed to find jobs he could do at home or on his own schedule. Caring for the kids and his wife became a full-time job for him.

There were some hard times where money was impossible to get and he still persevered. When they got evicted from their house, they had to live in a hotel temporarily but Christopher never gave up. He would work side jobs and day labor just to pay the hotel clerk. He always relied on God and had faith that he will work his way out of any problem.

He was always trustworthy. I have seen him give the cashier money back because she miscounted. He would tell me, "If the register is short, it will come out of their pay." He was always concerned about things being fair. If he borrowed money from me, he would always pay back his debt before spending anything himself. I have seen him go without eating for days, just to make sure the kids had food and he paid his debts. I know these may not seem like big things, but I think it speaks to his character. He was a good Christian Father.

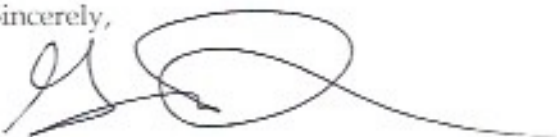
His children are his life. He calls them every chance he has and has video calls with them from the jail. Before he was arrested, I don't think he ever spent more than 24 hours without them. He would play games with them, He loved to cook and barbeque with them, and many times he would just talk to them for hours at a time. I honestly believe that He was both their best friend and father. It was an amazing relationship and bond that he shares with his children. He gave everything to his children. They were his entire world. All he really wants is to be reunited with them and watch them grow. I know when he is released, he will do everything in his power to make things right with them.

Christopher has already started discussing some of his ambitions if he is released. He wants to learn a trade and really is excited about welding. I told my pastor about it, and he thinks it would be a great idea. My pastor is also a welder and has a hobby shop behind the church where he works on projects. He has been very supportive emotionally and spiritually. He hopes to see Christopher when he gets out and is willing to help in any way he can.

I really believe Christopher wants to do things differently when he comes out. He has been incarcerated for around a year now and this whole process has really changed him. I can tell he is remorseful. He was always a proud person and would be careful to keep his problems away from the public eye. These days, talking to Christopher is the opposite experience. He tells me all the time that he is sorry he ever made these choices and wishes he had another chance to do things right.

Your Honor - Judge Corrigan, I know I have written a lot here today but please just understand that everything I have written to you is the truth as I know it to be. I know Christopher better than most people. I have had a great relationship with him most of our lives. I have a great deal of love and respect for him as my brother, as a father, and as a Christian man. Although what he has done is wrong, I believe in my heart that he has repented from his mistakes and will work hard to be an upstanding citizen from here on out. I know your job as a judge is difficult, and I pray you have mercy on my brother. I fully respect any decisions you make, and I hope this letter would be helpful for his sentencing hearing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gasper J. Daragjati', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Gasper J. Daragjati

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October 10, 2023

The Honorable Judge Corrigan
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I am writing in behalf of my brother Christopher Leo Daragjati, which whom is having an upcoming sentencing hearing and in hopes that it would be of any help to Judge Corrigan, I would like to possibly give my perspective and thoughts about Christopher, so that maybe with an additional view, along with the other testimonies and data collected it will assist in creating a more clearer view on who Christopher is as a whole individual versus just a set of fact and figures. I also would like to thank you immensely for allowing me the opportunity to do so, it is very kind of you to take the time out to review these notations.

My name is Tammy Regina Daragjati, I am 45 years if age, and the eldest sibling to Christopher Leo Daragjati. I am a joint homeowner of 3 years in Middleburg, Florida with my husband, Joshua William Mayhew. My husband and I are a proud military family, Josh served in 3 wars in both the US Navy as an Aviation Electronic Technician for 10 years and the US Army Reserves. I had had the honor of giving birth if 3 of my 4 kids during his cycles of this deployment as well.

We have 4 Children, Michael who is 23, Brendan who is 21, Grace who is 18, and D [REDACTED] who is 14. Our children do live on our premises, but we are blessed to have a mother and daughter type of home, so our sons to have live in a fully equipped 2-bedroom apartment that is attached to the main house, with a separate kitchen, living area and bathroom. The main house is a 3 bedroom and 2-bathroom ranch style home. The entire property is located on about 1 and a half acres of land. The reason why I am

explaining this in detail is because I am the person who currently is caring for Christopher's children. Christopher has 3 children, M [REDACTED] who is 12, J [REDACTED] who is 13, and Fabien who is 19. Fabien moved into the apartment with the young men, and the children moved into the main house, and we just had them bunk up. We were all blessed to have separate bedrooms before so now the kids have their cousins as roommates. It's a beautiful thing to see their smiling faces at the dinner table every night.

As for employment, I am currently employed as a substitute teacher and work with Clay County school district through Kelly Services Inc. I also am part owner of my husbands' LLC, First Coast Waste Equipment, where in which my husband does contractual work for BC Hydraulics in Jacksonville working on the mechanics and installing the units that handle the electrical components for the waste control dumpster units.

Since Christopher was incarcerated in Clay County last November, we have made a tentative point to keep close contact every other day via phone for at least 20 min so he can speak with his children, and at least 1 to 2 video conferences monthly. Chris and his kids try to keep a close bond, even with the circumstances put on front of them. Chris even tried to start a "book club" type of thing with his 13-year-old son where they were reading the same novel and discussing it chapter by chapter, but when Chris switched facilities, it made it a bit more difficult because the appropriate material was not quite available to him. But he found other ways to make connections, by talking about movies that he had gotten to see instead.

I am aware that my brother had plead guilty to the multiple charges presented at a federal level. I am very aware of the severity of what he had done, and the complexity of the arena issues that brought us to where we are right now. To be honest, when I first found out about all of this, I felt like I was living on a different planet when I was told about it and went to go pick up the kids and bring them back to my house, and as everything progressed my head just spun, and I was in complete denial. But that is a normal response as anyone would have when they are dealing with a shock of this magnitude. As time progressed, and more information was revealed, and the truth finally came out, in which it always does, acceptance came along with it. Now, with acceptance comes the where do where go from here aspect in my mind.

I do know deep down inside that my brother deeply does have a genuine good nature and deeply loves his children, he has always been a very happy individual from the outside. But I also know that deep down when his wife died something broke in him, a piece that just never really healed fully. Chris was only 20 years old when he married Suzzie, he married her 1 week before his 21st birthday. I remember that because I thought it was funny that they were going to spend their honeymoon in Las Vegas, and he couldn't even play a game. I asked why, and he said the date was very important to Suzzie because she wanted to make sure that she could have a summer wedding so that her son and all the little kids were not in school. He was happy just to be able to be with her, he didn't care about any games, so he could but he sees a few shows. She was his world, to him she hung the moon. They had gotten back, and he thrived he worked his tail off to provide for his new family, his wife and his stepson, and soon enough she was pregnant. He was overjoyed, and then she gave birth prematurely by 7 weeks. Joshua was beautiful, and healthy baby boy, but not even a few weeks later Suzie got pregnant again. This time everyone was concerned. She was not looking too good, and the pregnancies were too close together. After she gave birth to Madeline, the doctors realized that Suzzie was in kidney failure. The kidney failure was from a combination of back-to-back pregnancies and a speculation of that spending 4 years active duty working in the Navy nuclear division might have played into the fact as well. Chris did not know what to do, he had 3 young babies at home, and a wife that was on a transplant list and needing constant care. He wound up moving in with my sister at the time, they were both located in Virginia.

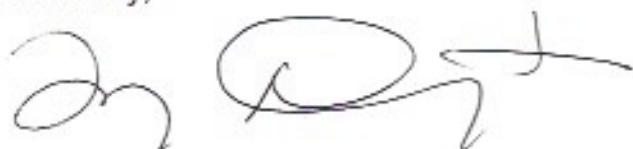
After a couple years, Chris packed his wife and kids up on a train and moved to Florida to stay with me in St. John's County, in hopes that possibly Suzzie could get better healthcare. It was a constant struggle for him, we got him set up with an apartment close by, but even with all the efforts made, the Lord said it was time for her to go. Suzzie passed on, and Chris tried to hold on as long as he could but broke inside. Chris always put up a great front for his children, but he was severely depressed, and there was a point where my husband and I did have to baker-act him years ago because of this. Eventually he pulled his shell back together where he seemed functionable again, but through everything the one thing that has held true is his undoubtable love for his children. He loves those kids and would move the world to make sure they smile.

Despite his actions that brought him in front of you, I know Chris genuinely is a good person inside. I do know that with all the conversations that I have had with him over the past year, he does seem to genuinely regret what he had done. With him being incarcerated for this year, it gave him the time to marinate on his actions, to really think of not just what he did, but also the reasons on what lead him down this path. I can really see that my brother is starting to find breakthroughs within himself and is looking towards healing and progressing towards becoming the individual who he was meant to be that was lost so many years ago.

During this process, Christopher did state that he was looking to hopefully attend some educational course and possibly training programs and make good use of the time that he will be spending after his sentencing. He realizes that the only way forward in life is with a skill, and with that he is looking to hopefully learn about electrical training or to get into a welding program if offered at the facility he will be assigned to. This would be a wonderful thing, and it is amazing that he is looking forward instead of just being stuck in his own head. But, if it is a possibility, my husband did say that with his company alone they are always in dire need of welders. He could easily be placed either through us or an adjacent company and will have work upon release as well. It will be hard and dirty work, but it is there for him.

I hope this helps with getting an overall scope of where my point of view is on my brother, and on behalf of Christopher Leo Daragjati, I do thank you for everything.

Sincerely,

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