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## **Juvenile Mentor Charged with Supplying Marijuana to Detained Juveniles**

Prosecutor Kym Worthy has charged Joseph Robinson, 22, of Detroit, in connection with supplying four 17-year-old males housed in the Juvenile Detention Center with marijuana gummies.

It is alleged that Robinson was working as a mentor at JDF on July 2, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., when he allegedly gave the contraband to the youths. Diligent employees observed the four to be lethargic, incoherent and in impaired mental states and immediately had them transported to a local hospital. They were later discharged from the hospital on the same day. An investigation by JDF Officials resulted in the arrest of Robinson on July 3, 2025.

Robinson has been charged with 4 counts of Furnishing a Controlled Substance (marijuana) to Minors (8-year felony), and 4 counts of Jails-Furnishing Contraband to Prisoners (5-year felony).\*

"There is simply no excuse for the defendant's alleged behavior. It is especially reprehensible because the defendant was supposed to be a mentor to the young men housed at the JDF - and not a catalyst for criminal conduct. The result of his actions was the exact opposite of what this volunteer program was designed to be about," said Prosecutor Kym Worthy.

He was arraigned this morning in 36<sup>th</sup> District Court and given a \$5,000 cash/surety bond with a GPS tether. A bond re-determination hearing is scheduled for July 9, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., before Judge William McConico. The Probable Cause Conference is scheduled for July 15, 2025, at 8:30 a.m., and the Preliminary Examination is scheduled for July 22, 2025, at 8:45 a.m., before Judge Marlana Taylor.

Please request a photograph of the defendant from the Wayne County Sheriff's Department.

\*The charges are allegations and defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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