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Attorney General James Uthmeier Launches Investigation into Sexualized Performance Advertised to Children; Issues Subpoena to Linda Moore, Vice Mayor of Vero Beach and Owner of Kilted Mermaid

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Attorney General James Uthmeier is issuing a subpoena to Linda Moore, the Vice Mayor of Vero Beach and owner of Kilted Mermaid, in a state investigation into a "Pride Tea Dance" that occurred last month. There is evidence that Moore advertised the performance on social media as "all ages welcome," which featured adult, sexualized performers in front of children, in violation of Florida law.

"In Florida, we don't sacrifice the innocence of children for the perversions of some demented adults," said **Attorney General James Uthmeier**. "The Office of Statewide Prosecution opened an investigation into this sexualized performance to determine the extent of the content and exposure to children."

Florida law protects children from sexualization. There is evidence that at the "Pride Tea Dance" on June 29, 2025, sexualized adult performers wore revealing attire and burlesque outfits while interacting with the children.

Attorney General Uthmeier issued subpoenas to Moore and Kilted Mermaid seeking:

- Any and all surveillance video recordings;
- Any associated logs, notes, or documents identifying camera locations, retention policies, or personnel responsible for maintaining said recordings;
- Copies of any and all employee work schedules showing which employees were working on the dates of June 28, 2025, to June 30, 2025;
- Copies of any and all contracts, agreements, invoices, or other documents identifying performers, DJs, entertainers, or independent contractors who performed or provided entertainment on the premises on June 29, 2025;
- Copies of any guest lists, reservation logs, ticket sales records, entry logs or other documents identifying who attended the performance;
- Documents identifying all security personnel, door staff, or any individuals responsible for checking identification, verifying age, controlling admission, or allowing entry on June 29, 2025; and
- Copies of all written policies, procedures, training manuals, or guidelines in effect on June 29, 2025, regarding age verification, admission policies, security screening, and ID checks.

Moore and Kilted Mermaid are required to produce the necessary documents by August 8, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

A copy of the subpoena is available here.

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