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**COPA STATEMENT ON OFFICER USING HOMOPHOBIC SLUR**

The Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) recommended on Friday, June 5, 2020 that the Superintendent of the Chicago Police Department (CPD) identify and modify the duty status or relieve of temporarily police power the involved officer captured on video using a homophobic slur.

COPA makes this recommendation while it further works to identify the officer and assess the events and circumstances surrounding this active investigation.

As Chicago's civilian police oversight agency COPA is obligated to demonstrate our commitment to objectivity, integrity, transparency and swift action when responding to misconduct.

If anyone has any information or video pertaining to this incident, please call our office at [312-746-3609](tel:312-746-3609) or visit [www.chicagocopa.org](http://www.chicagocopa.org) for more information.

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