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Outraged, Lt Col Rogers calls on Sheriff Babeu to exit AZ-1 Congressional Race

On Wednesday, Wendy Rogers called for her opponent, Sheriff Paul Babeu, to drop out of the race for Arizona's First Congressional District. Shocking new allegations of abuse at a boarding school in Massachusetts run by Sheriff Babeu were detailed in an expose Tuesday night by ABC 15.

"Today I call on Sheriff Babeu to do the right thing. Step down from this race. You are an embarrassment to the Republican Party, the state of Arizona, and our nation. We deserve better," said Rogers.

On the tape, Sheriff Babeu can be heard comparing the school's treatment of children to boot camp. Rogers, a retired Air Force Lt. Colonel, had this to say, "I went through military officer training. It built camaraderie, instilled honor, and made me the professional I am today. My fellow veterans and I will not stand for Sheriff Babeu's twisted attempt to justify cruelty to children."

Rogers further explained, “Sheriff Babeu’s views are also completely at odds with what I have come to know as a foster parent and clinical social worker. No child is hopeless. All children need and deserve compassion and understanding.”

The Babeu campaign today released a statement saying, “These allegations prove nothing new.” In response Rogers said, “His own campaign website touted his executive experience from having led this school as a qualification for elected office. He held this as evidence of experience, while he knew EXACTLY what this school did. He has lied to the voters about this, and continues to do so, even as this horrifying evidence comes to light.”

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