

Dear Mayor & Towns People,

First let me start by expressing just how sorry I am, there are no exact words to truly tell you how apologetic I am, I apologize to you, as well as the good folks of Abita.

I understand that my actions have hurt people and there are no excuses for my childish ways. I take full responsibility for what I have done. If someone entered my home and damaged my property I would be greatly upset and angry, so again I apologize for the damaging of the Abita statue.

I am ashamed of these actions, if I could I would go to that exact moment in time & fix what I did. I am prepared to take the punishment deserved also, if there is any way or ways that I can help to make my actions correct I am fully prepared to do what is asked of me.

I can assure you that this will not happen again. I hope that some way everyone will find it in their hearts to forgive my foolish ways. I understand that some folks might not be ready to excuse my misconduct, but again, I hope that my apology is heard and eventually accepted by everyone.

I wanted to add one of my favorite verses from the book of Psalms,

"God saw their deeds, and they returned from their evil ways, and God relented."

This means a great deal to me personally, because anyone can change and at some point in our lives, we all make mistakes, it's what we do after that mistake that defines who we are. And again I say I am very very sorry.

ANDREW JULIUS CORKERN