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A Statement From Mayor Joseph C. Sullivan

The Town will be conducting a search for the next Chief of Police for the Braintree Police Department to fill the vacancy created by Chief Paul Shastany's retirement in November 2019. I have identified a committee of experienced law enforcement personnel to serve on the search committee and have tasked them with conducting a thorough review of all applicants in order to identify the individual most qualified to lead our police department with an anticipated start date of October 1, 2019 to allow for a transition period.

Members of the search committee include:

1. Retired Police Chief Ed Deveau—Following a thirty two year career in law enforcement, Chief of Police Edward P. Deveau retired from the Watertown Police Department in 2015. Chief Deveau served as Watertown's Chief of Police for fourteen years and, in April 2013, Chief Deveau led the manhunt for the Boston Marathon bombing suspects.

Chief Deveau is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and has received numerous awards during his career, including the Theodore Mann Regional Leadership Award in 2009 and awards from the Greater Boston Federal Executive Board and the Middlesex Bar Association. Chief Deveau was appointed to the Northeast Homeland Security Regional Advisory Council by former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney and served as the Chairman for three years. Chief Deveau also served as the President of the North Eastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council from 2009 to 2010, while also serving on the Executive Board of the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association for over ten years. Chief Deveau remains an active member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police and currently serves on the Communications and Technology Committee.

Chief Deveau holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Westfield State College and is a graduate of the Anna Maria College with a Masters Degree in Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement.

2. Chelsea Police Chief Brian Kyes—Chief Brian Kyes currently serves as the Police Chief for the Chelsea, Massachusetts Police Department and has held that position since October 2007. Chief Kyes was originally appointed as a patrol officer for the Chelsea Police Department in June 1987 and was subsequently promoted through the ranks of Sergeant, Lieutenant and Captain.

Chief Kyes is currently the president of the Massachusetts Major City Chiefs Association and previously served as the Vice President of the Major City Chiefs. Chief Kyes is also a Board Member of the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association, the Vice President of the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission, the Vice Chairman of the Metro Boston Homeland Security Region, the Chairman of the Legislative Committee for the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association and a member of the International Association of the Chiefs of Police, the Municipal Police Training Council, the Massachusetts Police Institute and the Advisory Board of the Chelsea Boys and Girls Club.

Chief Kyes holds a Bachelor's Degree from Framingham State College, a Master's Degree from Anna Maria College and a Juris Doctorate Degree from Suffolk University Law School. In addition, Chief Kyes has attended numerous professional development certification programs including the Senior Management Institute for Police, the FBI National Academy, the FBI LEEDA Program, Harvard University's JFK School of Government, Executive Counter-Terrorism Training in Tel Aviv, Israel, Naval Post Graduate School for Homeland Defense and Security and Harvard University's National Preparedness Leadership Institute.

3. Boston University Chief of Police Kelly Nee— Chief Kelly Nee was appointed as the first female chief of police for Boston University in May of 2017. Since her appointment as the Chief of Police at Boston University, Chief Nee has participated in the New England Counter-Terrorism Seminar in Israel and she also sits on the Governor's Task Force on Hate Crimes.

Chief Nee had a distinguished thirty three year career with the Boston Police Department, departing as a Deputy Superintendent in the Bureau of Intelligence and Analysis. During her tenure with the Boston Police Department, Chief Nee patrolled various and diverse communities within the city and held several positions including commander of the Boston Police School Police Unit, where she was highly involved with students and families within the Boston Public Schools, and supervisor in the Youth Violence Strike Force and Drug Control Units. Chief Nee served on the Special Populations Sub Committee and the Suffolk County Steering Committee of the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiatives (JDAI), a national organization created to enhance the holistic wellbeing of at risk youth within the juvenile justice system, and served on the Boston Police Department Diversity Committee in order to promote service in the Department as an opportunity to minorities and women in the City of Boston.

Chief Nee holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Western New England College and has graduated from the National Preparedness Leadership Institute at Harvard University and the Police Executive Research Forum Senior Management Institute for Policing.

The above representatives of law enforcement will be joined on the committee by Human Resources Director Karen Shanley and Town Solicitor Nicole Taub.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Chief Shastany for all of his hard work and service to our community since taking on the role of Chief in October 2017. During his tenure Chief Shastany has played a pivotal role in furthering the Department's progress towards accreditation and the implementation of the new state of the art evidence room that has received the attention of law enforcement officials across the Commonwealth.

I am confident that, through this process, we will select a Chief of Police that will continue to provide strong leadership within the Department, build relationships within our community and further the success of our Braintree Police Department.

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