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CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES COMMAND STAFF PROMOTIONS

CHICAGO — Chicago Police Department (CPD) Superintendent Larry Snelling today announced new Command Staff promotions.

Chief Antoinette Ursitti, who has led the Bureau of Detectives for the past three years, has been promoted to First Deputy Superintendent. During her time as the Chief of the Bureau of Detectives, she has led efforts to strengthen investigations as CPD seeks justice for victims and families affected by violence and crime. First Deputy Superintendent Ursitti is a purpose-driven leader who prioritizes the well-being of her fellow CPD members and the people of Chicago. She will oversee day-to-day operations across the department and step into her new role with more than two decades of experience across many areas of CPD.

Deputy Chief Kevin Bruno will now lead the Bureau of Detectives, building on the work he has helped lead throughout the past few years. Additionally, within the Bureau of Detectives, Lieutenant Timothy Hawkins has been promoted to Commander of the Area One Detective Division.

Within the Bureau of Patrol, Commander Ricky Rivera has been promoted to Deputy Chief of Area Five, Lieutenant John Cleggett has been promoted to Commander of the 3rd (Grand Crossing) District, Lieutenant Nichelle Fraction has been promoted to Commander of the 15th (Austin) District, Captain Albert Perez has been promoted to Commander of the 14th (Shakespeare) District, Lieutenant Michael Santos has been promoted to Commander of the 10th (Ogden) District and Lieutenant Luke Connolly has been promoted to Commander of the Special Events Section.

"Throughout their careers, our newly promoted leaders have worked on behalf of their fellow Chicagoans to strengthen safety across our communities for every resident and family," said Superintendent Snelling. "Their knowledge and experience in implementing effective strategies to combat and prevent crime are why they were selected for their new assignments."

First Deputy Superintendent – Antoinette Ursitti

First Deputy Superintendent Ursitti, a 25-year member of the Department, most recently served as Chief of Detectives. As Chief of Detectives, she implemented programs and strategies to strengthen both investigations and support for those affected by violence. Under her leadership, the Bureau of Detectives has continued to expand important investigative resources and infrastructure, such as the Forensic Services Division, the Chicago Crime Gun Intelligence Center, the Family Liaison Office, and homicide teams and non-fatal shooting teams in each detective area. Prior to becoming a Chief, she served as the Deputy Chief of the Training and Support Group. Before that, she was Commander of



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the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT), where she also served as a Lieutenant. First Deputy Superintendent Ursitti also served as a Lieutenant in the 12th (Near West) District. As a Sergeant, she worked in the Office of Communications and News Affairs and in the Office of Special Events. She was a Sergeant in the 25th (Grand Central) District. She holds a Doctorate in Education in Ethical Leadership from Olivet Nazarene University, a master's degree in Human Services and Counseling from National Louis University, and a bachelor's degree in Communications from Loyola University Chicago. She is licensed in the State of Illinois as a professional counselor.

Chief of the Bureau of Detectives – Kevin Bruno

Chief Bruno, a 26-year member of the Department, most recently served as Deputy Chief of the Bureau of Detectives, in which he has extensive experience and will now lead. As the Deputy Chief, he focused on strategically addressing crime through investigative operations. He was previously the Commander of the Area Three Detective Division and the Commander of the Investigative Response Team. While a Lieutenant, Chief Bruno worked as a Field and Watch Operations Lieutenant in the 11th (Harrison) District. He served as a Sergeant in the Area North Detective Division, where he led cold case investigations and oversaw homicide investigations. He was also a Sergeant in the 7th (Englewood) District. He holds a Juris Doctor from Loyola University Chicago School of Law and a bachelor's degree in political science from DePaul University. Chief Bruno also attended the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command.

Deputy Chief of Area Five – Ricky Rivera

Deputy Chief Rivera, a 20-year member of the Department, most recently served as Commander of the 14th (Shakespeare) District. As the Commander, he oversaw all district operations to enhance public safety and build trust in the communities that make up the district. Prior to becoming a Commander, he was a Lieutenant in the Narcotics Division, where he oversaw narcotics enforcement operations to combat drug-related crime and violence. He also served the 6th (Gresham) District as a Watch Operations Lieutenant. During his time as a Sergeant, Deputy Chief Rivera worked in multiple areas of the Bureau of Counterterrorism, including the Public Transportation Section Tactical Team, Gang Investigations and Narcotics Investigations. He was also a Sergeant on the Area Four Gang Enforcement team and the 15th (Austin) District Tactical Team. Commander Rivera holds both a master's degree in Public Administration and a bachelor's degree in Public Safety Management from Calumet College of St. Joseph. He is also a Marine Corps veteran.

Commander of the 3rd (Grand Crossing) District – John Cleggett

Commander Cleggett, a 26-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Tactical Lieutenant in the 3rd (Grand Crossing) District, which he will now lead. He was also a Watch Operations Lieutenant in the same district. As a Sergeant, Commander Cleggett served in many roles throughout the department. He was a Sergeant in the Office of the Bureau of Patrol, the Troubled Buildings Unit and the 7th (Englewood) District Community Policing office. He was also a Field Sergeant in the 7th District and a Sergeant in the Education and Training Division. Command Cleggett holds a master's



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degree in Criminal Justice from Lewis University and a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Chicago State University. He is currently in the process of obtaining a doctoral degree in Educational Leadership from DePaul University. Commander Cleggett also attended the Police Executive Research Forum's Senior Management Institute for Police.

Commander of the Special Events Section – Luke Connolly

Commander Connolly, a 27-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Lieutenant of the Special Events Section, which he will now lead as its Commander. He has supervised the Special Events Section through many large-scale events, including the 2024 Democratic National Convention. He was previously a Watch Operations and Field Lieutenant in the 6th (Gresham) District. While a Sergeant, Commander Connolly worked in the Office of Legal Affairs and the Area Four Detective Division Homicide Office. He was also the Department Advocate in the Bureau of Internal Affairs. Commander Connolly holds a Juris Doctor degree from DePaul University Law School and a bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He also attended the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command.

Commander of the 15th (Austin) District – Nichelle Fraction

Commander Fraction, a 21-year member of the Department, most recently served as a Watch Operations Lieutenant in the 3rd (Grand Crossing) District. She was also a Tactical Lieutenant in the 6th (Gresham) District. As a Sergeant, Commander Fraction worked in the Narcotics Division within the Bureau of Counterterrorism and served on the United States Postal Inspection Service Task Force. She has also been a Sergeant in the Bureau of Internal Affairs and in the 7th (Englewood) District Community Policing office. Prior to becoming a sworn member, Commander Fraction served as an Investigator within the Office of Professional Standards from 1998 to 2004. Commander Fraction holds a master's degree in Public Administration from the Illinois Institute of Technology and a bachelor's degree in Sociology/Anthropology from Knox College. She also attended the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command.

Commander of Area One Detectives – Timothy Hawkins

Commander Hawkins, an 18-year member of the Department, most recently served as a Lieutenant in the Citywide Robbery Task Force Investigations Group within the Major Crimes Division. Commander Hawkins helped develop and launch the task force in 2024 to address and disrupt robbery crews throughout the city. Prior to the task force, he was a Lieutenant in the Area Four Detective Division Homicide Office. He also worked as a Lieutenant in the 15th (Austin) District. While a Sergeant, Commander Hawkins supervised property crime investigations in the Area Four Detective Division and Area North Detective Division. He was also a Sergeant working in the 14th (Shakespeare) District, 15th District and 11th (Harrison) District, as well as Operation Impact. Commander Hawkins' time at the Chicago Police Department began when he was a teenager participating in the Chicago Police and Firefighter Training Academy (CPFTA), which is a training program for high schoolers interested in careers in public safety. He then went on to intern for CPFTA and during this internship, worked at both



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the Police Academy and Fire Academy. Prior to joining the Chicago Police Department, Commander Hawkins served as a Police Officer for the Village of Skokie. Commander Hawkins holds a master's degree in Threat and Response Management from the University of Chicago and a bachelor's degree from DePaul University.

Commander of the 14th (Shakespeare) District – Albert Perez

Commander Perez, a 33-year member of the Department, most recently served as Captain of the 18th (Near North) District, where he helped oversee all patrol operations and community relations. During his more than three decades with CPD, he has served in various areas of the department. Prior to becoming a Captain, Commander Perez was a Tactical Lieutenant in the 17th (Albany Park) District. He was also a Watch Operations Lieutenant and Field Lieutenant in the 11th (Harrison) District. While a Sergeant, he worked in the Area Three Detective Division and Area North Detective Division within the Violent Crimes Oversight Office. He also worked in the 15th (Austin) and 7th (Englewood) District as a Sergeant. Commander Perez holds a bachelor's degree in Public Safety Management from Calumet College of Saint Joseph.

Commander of the 10th (Ogden) District – Michael Santos

Commander Santos, a 30-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Tactical Lieutenant in the 25th (Grand Central) District. He was also a Watch Operations Lieutenant and Field Lieutenant in the same district. Prior to his promotion to Lieutenant, he was a Sergeant in the Fugitive Apprehension Unit within the Bureau of Detectives and was deputized as a United States Marshals Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force officer. Commander Santos was also a Sergeant in the Narcotics Division within the Bureau of Organized Crime. He also worked as a Sergeant in the Targeted Response Unit and the 15th (Austin) District. He holds a master's degree in Police Psychology from the Adler School of Professional Psychology and a bachelor's degree from Lewis University. He also attended the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command.

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