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CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT ERIC M. CARTER ANNOUNCES PLANS TO RETIRE

Interim Superintendent Carter to retire in May after more than 30 years with CPD

CHICAGO — Interim Superintendent Eric M. Carter of the Chicago Police Department (CPD) today announced his decision to retire after three decades of service to the city of Chicago, effective May 15, 2023.

“To the residents of Chicago, law enforcement agencies, clergy, community leaders, and the many organizations who work each day beside CPD, thank you. Your continued partnership strengthens public safety daily across our great city,” said Interim Superintendent Carter. “It has been my greatest honor to serve as your Interim Superintendent and I have committed to working with Mayor-Elect Johnson to ensure that our department continues to deliver transformational service to Chicago’s residents and visitors throughout the summer season, as the search for a permanent Superintendent continues and the subsequent transition.”

Previously, Interim Superintendent Carter served as First Deputy Superintendent, CPD’s second-in-command, from July 2020 to March 2023. During this time, he oversaw all Department deployment operations including the Bureaus of Patrol, Detectives, Counterterrorism, and Special Operations.

A 30-year member of the Department, Interim Superintendent Carter has served in many areas of CPD. He moved up through the command staff ranks, serving as Chief of the Bureau of Counterterrorism and Special Operations, Deputy Chief of the Special Functions Division, Deputy Chief of the Bureau of Organized Crime, and Commander of both the 4th (South Chicago) District and 6th (Gresham) District. He also spent much of his career performing and leading various patrol and investigative functions, including gang and narcotics operations within the Bureau of Organized Crime. Additionally, he has served on both the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) federal task forces.

“I am blessed to have worked alongside some of the most creative and compassionate individuals to wear the Chicago police star, and I will miss the many professional and personal relationships that I have formed over my career,” said Interim Superintendent Carter. “I look forward to my next adventure but I will always hold the men and women – sworn and civilian – of this department, in the highest esteem. Thank you all for what you do for our city daily.”

Interim Superintendent Carter holds a master’s degree in public and nonprofit corporate management from Saint Xavier University. Additionally, he attended the Police Executive Research Forum’s Senior Management Institute for Police, the DEA Drug Unit Command School, and the 227th Session of the FBI National Academy – FBI National Executive Institute #44. A decorated veteran of the United States Marine Corps, Interim Superintendent Carter has led a distinguished career serving diverse communities across Chicago, the United States, and around the world. His time with the Marines and CPD combined total more than 37 years.

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