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Press Release

For Immediate Release

Rick Pyle Sworn-In as Director of Public Safety

July 14, 2015 (Highland Park, Texas) – During the Town Council meeting on Monday, July 13, 2015, Rick Pyle was sworn-in as the Director of Public Safety for Highland Park Department of Public Safety (HPDPS). Chief Pyle began his career with HPDPS in 1986. Of those twenty-nine years of dedicated service with HPDPS, twenty-three have been in a supervisory role. During the Town Council meeting, the following officers were recognized for their recent promotions/appointments:

- Paul Sandman: The position of Assistant Director of Public Safety has been filled by Paul Sandman. Assistant Chief Sandman has sixteen years of combined public safety experience with twelve of those years dedicated to HPDPS.
- Captain Mike Miller: Captain Mike Miller, currently assigned to “B” shift, will begin the position of Fire Marshal on August 5, 2015. Captain Miller is a twenty-five year veteran of HPDPS.
- Lieutenant Marc Rossini: Lieutenant Rossini, currently assigned to the Criminal Investigative Division (CID), was promoted to Captain. Captain Rossini, a twelve year veteran with HPDPS, will begin his assignment as the “B” shift Commander on August 7, 2015.
- Lieutenant Shawn Garber: Lieutenant Garber, previously assigned to “B” shift, became the CID Commander on July 13, 2015. Lieutenant Garber is a twenty-eight year veteran of HPDPS.
- Sergeant Lance Koppa: Sergeant Koppa, currently the Community Relations/Public Information Officer, was promoted to Lieutenant. Lieutenant Koppa, a fifteen year veteran with HPDPS, will continue to serve in community relations and as the spokesperson for HPDPS and the Town of Highland Park.
- Sergeant John Lee: Sergeant Lee, currently assigned to “B” shift, was promoted to Lieutenant. Lieutenant Lee, a twenty-two year veteran with HPDPS, will begin his assignment to “C” shift on August 24, 2015.

- Public Safety Officer (PSO) Cody Simpson: PSO Simpson, currently assigned to “B” shift, was promoted to Sergeant. Sergeant Simpson, an eight year veteran with HPDPS, will begin his assignment to “A” shift on July 22, 2015.

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