

Legislation Text

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Commending Police Chief Noble Wray on his retirement after 29 years of exemplary service to the City of Madison

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Body WHEREAS,	Chief Noble Wray began his career as a police officer with the City of Madison on October 8, 1984; and
WHEREAS,	Chief Wray served as the city's first neighborhood officer in the Simpson-Broadway neighborhood, where his dedicated work earned him the Department's Outstanding Service Award and Lifesaving Award in 1988; and
WHEREAS,	Chief Wray was assigned to the Executive Section in 1989 and served as the Department's public information officer; and
WHEREAS,	Chief Wray was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 1990 responsible for the Executive and Special Operations Sections; and
WHEREAS,	Chief Wray was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in 1993 and was assigned to the South District; and
WHEREAS,	Chief Wray was promoted to Captain in 1996 and was assigned to command the South District; and
	WHEREAS, Chief Wray was promoted to the rank of Assistant Chief in 1999 and served as the Assistant Chief for both Support Services and Operations; and
WHEREAS,	Chief Wray was promoted to the rank of Chief and assumed command of the Madison Police Department on October 21, 2004; and
WHEREAS,	Chief Wray has successfully promoted the philosophies of community, problem-oriented and trust based policing and implemented Community Policing Teams; and
WHEREAS,	Chief Wray restored order to the annual "Freakfest" Halloween party on State Street and revised the Department's Taser policy which now is a model for police departments throughout the world; and
WHEREAS,	Chief Wray has been the face of the Madison Police Department throughout the broader City and State communities, serving on a host of Boards and Commissions, including the Governor's Commission on Reducing Racial Disparities in the Wisconsin Justice System, Boys & Girls Club of Dane County Board of Directors and Safe Communities of Madison, and the Dane County Board of Directors; and
WHEREAS,	The City of Madison is thrilled to wish Chief Wray success in his retirement as he begins

another chapter in his life and continues to share the knowledge that he has gained

throughout his career in new and exciting ways;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Madison, Wisconsin, do

hereby proclaim their sincere appreciation and congratulations to **POLICE CHIEF NOBLE WRAY for twentynine years** of exemplary service to the City of Madison.