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CITY APPOINTS NEW CHIEF OF POLICE SERVICES

May 12, 2017....San Clemente, California...The City of San Clemente is pleased to announce the appointment of Lieutenant Mike Peters to the position of Chief of San Clemente Police Services. Lieutenant Peters has been a member of the Orange County Sheriff's Department since 1996. Lieutenant Peters is no stranger to San Clemente, he was born and raised in San Clemente; attended Las Palmas Elementary School and Shorecliffs Middle School; and, graduated from San Clemente High School in 1988. Additionally, his father, Fritz Peters, served the City of San Clemente Public Works Department for over 20 years, overseeing the City's street maintenance program, and he also volunteered with the San Clemente Police Department.

Lieutenant Peters has served in patrol operations as a deputy in San Clemente, central jail management, special weapons and tactics, homeland security, SWAT, supervisory roles, administration and budgeting, and field operations. He also holds several instructor/expert certifications in community policing, arrest control techniques, firearms, driver training and more.

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About the appointment, Lieutenant Peters said, "I will assist the city in continuing with the positive evolution and momentum it has today. In addition, I come with other useful skills acquired from an extremely diverse career in law enforcement and teaching."

"After reviewing six applications for the position, provided to us by the Orange County Sheriff's Department, I am confident the city hired the most qualified person for the job," said City Manager James Makshanoff. "With his extensive law enforcement background and strong ties to San Clemente, our residents are getting a well-trained and dedicated chief with a collaborative leadership style and a high-level of commitment to the community."

Lieutenant Peters is married and he and his wife have three children, ages 22, 18 and 17. The appointment of Lieutenant Peters is effective May 26, 2017.

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