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FROM THE DESK OF MAYOR JOSE "JOEY" TORRES

Mayor Jose "Joey" Torres, in conjunction with Police Director Jerry Speziale, Police Chief William Fraher and Fire Chief Michael Postorino, proudly announces that the below listed members of the Paterson Police & Fire Departments were promoted today during a ceremony at City Hall. The promotions were in keeping with the Mayor's commitment to improve the efficient and effective operations of public safety related services by providing each agency with the leadership and direction they need to lead their respective agencies into the future. Each of the promoted positions filled existing vacancies within the ranks of each agency's table of organization.

The promotional service represented a historic milestone first for the City as well as each of the two departments. The Police department promoted Lt. Lourdes Phelan to the rank of captain. She has the distinction of being the first female and the first Hispanic female to ever attain the rank of Police Captain in the history of the police force.

The Fire Department promoted to the rank of Deputy Chief, Pablo Delvalle, the first minority ever to be appointed to that position in the agency's history.

Mayor Torres and the administrations of the Police & Fire Departments are particularly proud of the diversity achieved within ranks of their respective organizations and believe that agency leadership should be reflective of the reflect the community they serve.

Police Department:

Captain Lourdes Phelan (1st female and first Hispanic female to attain the rank of captain in the history of the department).

Lt. Daniel Rooney Lt. David Rios

Sqt. Kenan Tuncel

Sgt. Brian Morgan

Sgt. Patrick Lenoy

Sgt. Angel Vargas

Sgt. Eladio Lugo

Sgt. Orlando Robinson

Sgt. Kelly Pacelli

Sgt. Carl McDowell

Fire Department:

Deputy Chief Brian J. McDermott Deputy Chief Frank P. Calamita

Deputy Chief Pablo J. DelValle (1st Minority to be appointed Deputy Chief in the agency's history)

Deputy Chief William J. Henderson

Captain Ronald D. Bator Captain Thomas Hogan

