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## ANDREA BLAUSTEIN APPOINTED TO OTTAWA POLICE SERVICES BOARD

The Ottawa Police Services Board is pleased to welcome a new provincially appointed community member. The Lieutenant Governor of Ontario has appointed Andrea Blaustein for a two-year term, effective 8 January 2018.

Ms. Blaustein is an honours graduate from Algonquin College in Security Management and has a B.A. from Carleton University in Criminology and Law. As a trusted security professional, she has worked at various levels of government over her career. She has held roles ranging from being a Constable with the House of Commons to public security and by law in a suburb of Montreal, security policy writer and security analyst, and is presently a security advisor at a key federal agency. She has worked at Communications Security Establishment, Privy Council Office, Treasury Board Secretariat and Courts Administration Services amongst other government departments. She is also a member of WiDS (Women in Defence and Security).

Ms. Blaustein is also an active volunteer and published author of a series of books on leadership.

"I am so excited for this new challenge and for the opportunity to work with the Board and the police service," stated Ms. Blaustein. "Policing is undergoing significant changes and I look forward to contributing my knowledge and experience towards how they play out in our community."

"The Board, the Service, and the community are gaining a valuable asset with Ms. Blaustein's appointment to our Board," stated Police Services Board Chair Eli El-Chantiry. "We look forward to working with her."

Ms. Blaustein will be publicly sworn in as a member of the Board at its next meeting on Monday, 29 January 2018, at 4:00 p.m. in the Champlain Room, Ottawa City Hall.

The Ottawa Police Services Board is the civilian body responsible for governing the Ottawa Police Service. It is responsible for the provision of adequate and effective police services to the City of Ottawa's residents.

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