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Eli El-Chantiry and Sandy Smallwood re-elected as Chair, Vice-Chair of the Police Services Board

(Ottawa)- At its January 29, 2018, meeting, Board members Eli El-Chantiry and Sandy Smallwood were re-elected as Chair and Vice-Chair of the Police Services Board for 2018.

Member El-Chantiry is the City Councillor for West Carleton-March. He is well known in his ward as the former proprietor of the Lighthouse Restaurant in Constance Bay and for his extensive community involvement. He has been on the Board of Directors for the Western Ottawa Community Resource Centre and has worked with a number of local groups - including community centres, churches, the Legion, and seniors groups. He is also currently serving as the Chair of the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards, helping to lead advocacy efforts with the Provincial Government, with a particular focus on the pending changes to the *Police Services Act*.

Member Smallwood is Council's citizen representative on the Board. He is best known for his work in heritage preservation. He is the founder (1973), and President of Andrex Holdings Limited, a recognized leader in the redevelopment of landmark buildings. Member Smallwood's community involvement includes: former Councillor in Rockcliffe Park, former board member of the Ottawa Symphony Orchestra, former director Ottawa Arts Centre Foundation, former member of Ottawa and Rockcliffe Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committees, former member of the Rockcliffe Park Site Plan and Development Advisory Committee, and current member of the City of Ottawa Built Heritage Sub-Committee. Member Smallwood is currently serving as Vice President of the Canadian Association of Police Governance, a national body dealing with police governance issues across Canada.

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

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