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Ottawa Police Services Board Announces Hiring of New Chief of Police

Ottawa—The Ottawa Police Services Board announced today that it has selected Peter Sloly as the new Chief of Police for the Ottawa Police Service (OPS). Mr. Sloly is hoping to take on his new role as Chief in October.

“Our Board began this recruitment for a new Chief by listening. We wanted to make sure the community saw their feedback reflected in the decision we made,” stated Board Chair Diane Deans. “The Board was really impressed with the candidates that came forward but unfortunately there can only be one Chief. I am confident we have selected the right leader for the Ottawa Police Service; someone that the public and members of the OPS can get behind.”

"I am honored to have been selected by the Board to be the next Chief of the Ottawa Police Service. I am excited to get to know and work with the members of the OPS at all ranks and in all roles, who have demonstrated such inspiring courage, innovation and compassion. I am equally excited to meet and get to know the members of Ottawa's communities who have stepped up bravely to help build a safer and more inclusive city. Finally, my family and I are looking forward to moving to the nation's capital and immersing ourselves in Ottawa's amazing history, culture and diversity," stated Mr. Sloly.

The Board also wishes to extend its sincere thanks to outgoing Interim Chief Steve Bell for his leadership during the recruitment process. Steve Bell will remain as the Interim Chief until the new Chief assumes his role.

Biography of Peter Sloly

Peter Sloly is currently a Partner at Deloitte where he is the national “Security & Justice” leader. He is a trusted and respected strategic advisor to private and public sector executives helping them to increase organizational efficiency as well as to improve public safety, service, trust and value. Prior to joining Deloitte, Mr. Sloly was a 27-year veteran member of the Toronto Police Service who attained the rank of Deputy Chief of Police. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and served two tours of duty in the United Nations Peacekeeping Mission in Kosovo. He has received many awards including: Officer of the Order of Merit “Police Forces” Medal, the United Nations Peacekeeping medal, the Canadian Peacekeeping Medal, the Police Exemplary Service Medal and the Queen’s Jubilee Medal. Mr. Sloly has a Masters of Business

Administration and a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology. In the 1980s, Peter Sloly played professional soccer and was a member of the Canadian Men's National Soccer Team. He is married with two children.

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 City of Ottawa residents.

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