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Framingham Police Chief Steven D. Trask to Retire on June 26, 2020

Framingham, MA – Chief Steven D. Trask announced on Wednesday, June 17, 2020, that he would be retiring effective Friday, June 26, 2020. Chief Trask has served Framingham for more than 33 years, beginning his career as a police officer in January 1987.

In his three-plus decades, Chief Trask has held many positions in the Department, including patrol officer, student resource officer, D.A.R.E. officer, patrol supervisor, police prosecutor, shift commander, and Executive Officer. He has worked as the Emergency Management Director for the City of Framingham since 2006 and was appointed as the Chief of Police in October 2018.

"I am forever grateful to Mayor Spicer for giving me the opportunity to lead the finest police department in Massachusetts. Together we have accomplished a tremendous amount in just two years, and we have set a course for future success. The exit from civil service will allow the next Chief to have tremendous flexibility in hiring and promoting officers. Furthermore, with all the sworn personnel under contract with competitive wages, the Framingham Police Department will once again be a destination department. The Framingham Police Department is full of talented men and women who are dedicated to the residents of this City, and it has been an honor to serve with them for 33 ½ years," said Chief Trask.

"In my tenure as Mayor, I have gotten to know Chief Trask through both good and difficult times, and it's through those tough times when you see the heart and soul of an individual," said Mayor Yvonne M. Spicer. "Chief Trask will leave behind a legacy of leadership and serve as an example to anyone coming up through the ranks. I am proud of what he's accomplished in his time as Chief such as helping to negotiate both the Police Officers' and Superior Officers' contracts, leading the Department out of Civil Service, which will benefit the City and Department moving forward, and his contribution to yesterday's joint executive order, underscoring the Police Department's commitment to fair and equitable policing."

Deputy Chief Ronald Brandolini will be named Acting Chief upon Chief Trask's retirement. The City of Framingham will begin a search for a permanent Chief of Police in the coming weeks.