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**Subject: South Pasadena Police Chief Announces Retirement After 32 Years of Service**



South Pasadena, Calif. – The City of South Pasadena proudly announces the retirement of Police Chief Brian Solinsky who will conclude an extraordinary 32-year career in law enforcement, including 4 years as the City’s Police Chief.

Chief Solinsky joined the South Pasadena Police Department on October 12, 1993, beginning a career marked by professionalism, dedication, and steady leadership.

Chief Solinsky progressed through the ranks of the department, serving in a wide range of leadership and operational roles, including Police Officer, Detective, an assignment with Taskforce for Regional Auto Theft Prevention, Corporal, Sergeant, Captain, Deputy Chief, Police Chief, and a short term as Interim City Manager. His extensive experience and deep institutional knowledge have been instrumental in supporting the department’s ongoing growth, operational excellence, and long-term success.

During his tenure as Chief of Police, Chief Solinsky led the department through a period of significant innovation and progress. Under his leadership, the department achieved several major milestones, including the transition to a fully electric police fleet, the first of its kind in the nation, demonstrating the City's strong commitment to sustainability and environmental responsibility.

Chief Solinsky also oversaw the deployment of a state-of-the-art Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) system and the integration of an advanced network of license plate recognition cameras. He implemented a bias-based policing tracking system, established a co-response team to address mental health and homelessness, and created an internal Critical Incident Review Board to enhance transparency and accountability.

In addition, Chief Solinsky reestablished the Department's Office of Professional Services to oversee accountability and policy management. He also introduced the Purple Communications Interpreting Program, enabling officers to communicate in real time with individuals who are deaf or have speech impairments, an important advancement in accessibility and inclusion within law enforcement services.

Beyond his leadership within the department, Chief Solinsky served as a board member of the San Gabriel Valley Police Chiefs' Association and the Los Angeles County Information System Advisory Board (ISAB), where he contributed to the design, development, and implementation of justice information systems supporting the broader needs of the criminal justice community.

Chief Solinsky's leadership strengthened the department's operations, modernized its practices, and reinforced its partnership with the community. His 32 years of service have left a lasting mark in the South Pasadena Police Department, our wonderful local community, and the citizens of Los Angeles County.

The City of South Pasadena extends its deepest gratitude to Chief Solinsky for his 32 years of dedicated service and wishes him all the best in his well-earned retirement. His last day with the City of South Pasadena is December 5, 2025.

Chief Brian Solinsky will be formally recognized by the City Council during the December 3, 2025, Council Meeting. Members of the public, community partners, and fellow law enforcement professionals are invited to attend and join the City in expressing appreciation for his years of dedicated service and significant contributions to the South Pasadena community.

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