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Honorable Members of the City Council
City of Danbury, Connecticut

Dear Council Members:

I hereby submit, for your confirmation, the appointment of Patrick Ridenhour to the position of Police Chief.

Patrick currently serves as Chief of the Stratford Police Department after being promoted from Deputy Chief in 2012. He is a seasoned law enforcement officer having served over 27 years in Connecticut, previously Assistant Deputy Chief of Police in Waterbury.

During his tenure, Patrick has successfully worked to improve labor relations, increase staffing, rotate assignments, increase leadership training for supervisors, advance technology usage and increase police outreach to the community. Patrick is determined to achieve these goals in Danbury and I am confident that he is the right person for the job.

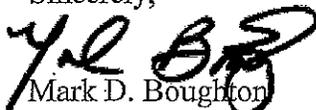
Patrick's qualifications cannot go unrecognized. Chief Ridenhour holds a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Charter Oak State College, a certificate in Criminal Justice Education from the University of Virginia and a Master's Degree in Organizational Management and Leadership from Springfield College. He graduated from the FBI National Academy at Quantico in 2003.

Currently, Patrick serves as the CPCA representative to the State of Connecticut's Commission on Racial and Ethnic Disparities in the Criminal Justice System (REDCJS). He is also an executive board member of the Connecticut Chapter of the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE).

Patrick is an exceptional law enforcement officer who is ready to immerse himself in our community; therefore, it is with great honor that I submit Patrick Ridenhour's name to you for confirmation of appointment to the position of Police Chief.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Mark D. Boughton
Mayor