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### **CITY OF DUBLIN ANNOUNCES NEW POLICE CHIEF GARRETT HOLMES**

**DUBLIN, Calif., November 1, 2017** – The City of Dublin has announced that Commander Garrett Holmes of the Alameda County Sheriff’s Office has been named the City’s new Police Chief, effective December 15, 2017. Commander Holmes, replaces Police Chief Dennis Houghtelling, who will leave his post to become Assistant Sheriff.

Commander Holmes has nearly 24 years of experience in law enforcement. This will be his third stint with Dublin Police Services. A lifelong resident of Alameda County, Holmes started his career in 1993 with the Alameda County Sheriff’s Office as a Reserve Deputy. He worked for several years at the North County Jail and Santa Rita Jail before becoming a Deputy at the City of Dublin. He served Dublin until 2009 in numerous capacities including patrol, crime prevention, investigations, and as a school resource officer, field training officer and supervisor, patrol supervisor, and administration sergeant. During his decade of service to the Dublin community, he rose to the rank of Lieutenant. In 2009, he left Dublin and served in several roles with the Sheriff’s Office, most notably as Captain and Commanding Officer of Oakland International Airport. While at the Oakland Airport, he worked very closely with the FBI on a two-year investigation into a drug trafficking ring that ended with the arrest of more than 30 people across the country. He worked again in Dublin as Captain from 2015 until earlier this year, when he was promoted to Commander and took over the Countywide Services Division.

“Commander Holmes’ experience, leadership, and working knowledge of Dublin Police Services made him a natural choice to lead the Department,” said City Manager Christopher Foss. “We are extremely pleased to welcome him back to Dublin.”

Commander Holmes is looking forward to serving the Dublin community once again. “Dublin is a thriving city with engaged residents,” Holmes said. “I have spent half of my law enforcement career at Dublin Police Services, so it is an honor to return as the next Police Chief.”

Since its incorporation in 1982, the City of Dublin has contracted with the Alameda County Sheriff's Office to operate Dublin's Police Services.

"We would also like to thank Commander Dennis Houghtelling for his wonderful service to the Dublin community during the past three years. His leadership and professionalism have resulted in even greater public safety efforts in Dublin," said Foss. "We congratulate him and wish him the best of luck in his new role as Assistant Sheriff. He will be missed."

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