

NEWS RELEASE From Mayor Dean DePiero

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PARMA MAYOR NAMES NEW POLICE CHIEF

(PARMA) – Parma Mayor Dean DePiero has named Captain Robert C. Miller Police Chief for the state's seventh largest city. He will replace retiring Police Chief Daniel Hoffman who has served in that position for the past seven and a half years.

"This has been without a doubt one of the toughest decisions that I have made since being sworn-in as mayor in 2004," said Mayor DePiero. "Any of our three candidates could capably fill the position of Police Chief. That is the highest compliment I can offer Captain Miller, Captain Wayne Schmigel and Captain Kim Cornachio."

"This entire process is a tremendous credit to the high standards set by Chief Dan Hoffman," said Parma Safety Director Gregory Baeppler. "I am confident Captain Miller is dedicated to continuing the great strides we have made under the leadership of Chief Hoffman."

Captain Miller is a longtime resident of Parma. He is a graduate of both the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia and the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command. He is presently the Commander of the 79 officer Uniform Patrol Division and has department experience in the Field Training Unit, Motorcycle Unit, Accident Investigations, SWAT Unit, and the Administrative Division. Captain Miller is a veteran of the Parma Police Department, serving since 1983.

"It will be a seamless transition," said Mayor DePiero. "The promotion of Captain Miller is one that will complement the professionalism of the rank and file of the Parma Police Department while ensuring the safety of our entire community."

Captain Miller will be sworn-in as Chief of Police in January. He will become the City of Parma's eighth Police Chief.