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TOWN OF PURCELLVILLE HIRES FIRST DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF

PURCELLVILLE, Va. January 30, 2019 — Mr. David Dailey, a Captain with the Arlington Police Department has been selected as the Deputy Chief for the Purcellville Police Department. Dailey will begin his duties in this inaugural position as Deputy Chief on March 4, 2019.

Dailey has been with the Arlington Police Department since 1989. During his time with the Arlington Police Department Dailey served as a patrol officer, detective, corporal, sergeant, lieutenant, and captain. During his tenure as a captain he served as the Deputy Director of the Northern Virginia Criminal Justice Academy, Commander of the Internal Affairs Division, Organized Crime Section, Special Operations Section, and Tactical Operations Section.

Dailey is a graduate of Pennsylvania State University where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Administration of Justice. He has extensive leadership training, and attended the 234th session of the FBI National Academy, West Point Leadership, PERF Senior Management Institute for Policing, and other leadership and tactical training courses.



While with the Arlington Police Department, Dailey was the recipient of the Division Commanders Award, Life Saving Award, and Meritorious Action Award. During Mr. Dailey's 29 year law enforcement career, he epitomized collaborative relationships, strong ethical standards, and his superiors praise him for his strong work ethic.

The Town partnered with Springsted/Waters Executive Recruitment to conduct a nationwide search. The town received 42 applications, and six individuals were chosen to move to the final selection process where an on-site interview, assessment panel, and final interviews were conducted. The final interview with the Town Manager, Mr. David Mekarski, concluded the process. "The creation of this position was one of the integral elements recommended by Chief Timothy Longo, Sr. of the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police in the organizational assessment as part of the Final Public Report of Audit and Investigation (Phase 2). The audit and

assessment includes thirteen recommendations to increase the level of service to our citizens and business community, through rebuilding staff and command positions, relocation of police headquarters to a more secure and functional facility, training, as well as an array of administrative improvements to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the department,” says David Mekariski, Town Manager.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

Purcellville is an award-winning town of over 9,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for its green initiatives with most recently being the Tree City USA recipient for the 10th year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is recognized as one of the safest towns in Virginia. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, Purcellville has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, entertainment, farmer’s markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.

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