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First Selectman Announces Retirement of Chief of Police Peter J. Robbins

Greenwich, CT (September 30, 2002) ... First Selectman Richard V. Bergstresser today announced that Chief of Police Peter J. Robbins has announced his retirement, effective December 1, 2002, after 32 years of service to the Town of Greenwich.

Chief Robbins, who joined the Greenwich Department of Police in 1970 as a patrolman, has held successively responsible positions, including detective, sergeant, detective sergeant and Lieutenant, Relief Shift Commander . In 1981, he was promoted to Lieutenant, Commanding Crime Prevention in the Training Division; in 1984, to Captain, Commanding Criminal Investigation Division; in 1990 to Deputy, Chief of Police; and in 1997 to Chief of Police.

“Chief Robbins is an extraordinary asset to the Town of Greenwich, and he will be sorely missed,” said Mr. Bergstresser.

“He has led our Greenwich Police Department to be one of the finest police departments in the country. He and his premium law enforcement agency of 157 sworn officers and 41 civilians protect our community of 61,000 residents, 267 miles of roadway, two interstate highways and 32 miles of waterfront.

“Chief Robbins is the fourth member of his family to serve with the Greenwich Police Department, continued Mr. Bergstresser. “Together, they have contributed more than 100 years towards community service.”

“It has been a privilege to serve the Town of Greenwich as a police officer,” said Chief Robbins. “I could have chosen no finer community. My career in the police department has been my devotion, and I hope to continue to serve this community in other ways.

“It has been my greatest honor to serve with the finest individuals throughout my career. They are people who exhibit compassion, bravery and a desire to ensure the safety and well being of our residents.”

Chief Robbins has received numerous awards, including Government Official of the Year in 1999 from the Greenwich Chamber of Commerce; 1995 Man of the Year from the Connecticut Burglar & Fire Alarm Association, Liberty Bell Award in 1995 from the Greenwich Bar Association, and Policeman of the Year in 1990 from the Greenwich Lions.

He is a member of many organizations, including the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association, International Association of Chiefs of Police, F.B.I National Academy Association and New England Association of Chiefs of Police.

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