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Assistant Police Chief Next Stockton Police Chief

(Stockton, CA) - City Manager Bob Deis has announced the selection of Eric Jones as the next Stockton Police Chief. Jones, 40, is a 19-year veteran of the Stockton Police Department, and currently serves as second in command, Assistant Police Chief.

“When it comes to running a Police Department, knowledge of the community and continuity in leadership are paramount,” said City Manager Bob Deis. “We are experiencing some of the most challenging times in the history of our City. Chief Jones has demonstrated his ability to lead under difficult circumstances. We are fortunate to have the best qualified candidate already serving the City of Stockton, which will result in a smooth transition as we move forward to implement significant strategic changes in the way we address crime within our city. I think Chief Uring has done an excellent job in mentoring his successor.”

Chief Jones joined the Stockton Police Department in 1993. He has held various positions and ranks in every major division within the department, including extensive

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experience in patrol, field training, Internal Affairs and the overseeing of every division and bureau within the Department. He has been promoted consistently throughout his career: Sergeant in 1999, Lieutenant in 2003; Captain in 2005; Deputy Chief in 2008, and Assistant Chief in 2011. He will take command on March 1, 2012.

“I have always considered it an honor to serve the City of Stockton as a member of the Stockton Police Department and am fortunate to have worked closely with community-based organizations that represent the diversity and richness of our city,” said Chief Jones. “I grew up in San Joaquin County, and my wife and I have chosen to live and raise our children right here in Stockton. I have already had a long and rewarding career with the Stockton Police Department, and I look forward to serving the citizens of this community for years to come.”

In addition to Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST), Police Supervision and Police Management Certifications, Chief Jones holds a Bachelor’s degree in Criminal Justice from California State University, Sacramento and a Master’s in Public Administration from National University. He is the forty-ninth Police Chief to serve the City of Stockton since the first Chief of Police was appointed in 1850.

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