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MEMORANDUM

To: Bernard Hvozdovic, *Administrator* **From:** Matthew Solovay, *Chief of Police*

Subject: Police Department Captain Promotional Process

Date: October 27, 2025

On August 27, 2025, the Princeton Police Department began the promotional selection process for the rank of Captain. Pursuant to General Order 2-4, all eligible Lieutenants were formally notified of the process through a department memorandum. The process included the following components:

- Submission of a letter of intent, addressed to my office, indicating interest and participation
- Submission of a current professional résumé
- An interview conducted by the Public Safety Committee
- A final recommendation by the Chief of Police to the Mayor and Council

Lieutenants Thomas Lagomarsino, Leonard Thomas, and Christopher Craven each expressed interest in the opportunity and submitted the required materials. On October 17, 2025, all three candidates appeared before the Public Safety Committee for their individual interviews.

After a careful review of each candidate's qualifications, service history, and performance throughout the process, I am pleased to recommend Lieutenant Thomas Lagomarsino for promotion to the rank of Captain.

Lieutenant Lagomarsino brings extensive experience and institutional knowledge as the most senior member of the command staff. His leadership, sound judgment, and proven dedication to the department exemplify the standards expected of a Captain within the Princeton Police Department. His professionalism and commitment to organizational excellence make him well-suited to assume this important role and continue advancing our mission and values.

Lieutenants Thomas and Craven also performed exceptionally throughout the process. Their professionalism, initiative, and leadership contributions are integral to the department's continued success, and they remain key members of our leadership team as we move forward.