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Redondo Beach Appoints Steve Sprengel As Police Chief

Redondo Beach, CA – The City of Redondo Beach is pleased to announce the appointment of Steve Sprengel as Chief of Police, effective December 27, 2025, following Chief Joe Hoffman's retirement. Steve brings a distinguished career in law enforcement and a deep commitment to the City of Redondo Beach.

Chief Sprengel is a second-generation member of the Redondo Beach Police Department and has served the community for more than 23 years. His extensive experience includes eight years as a Field Training Officer; Sergeant assignments in the Motor, Patrol, and Professional Standards Units; Lieutenant Watch Commander; and many years as the Department's DUI Instructor. Additionally, as Captain, Steve supervised the Special Operations, Patrol, and Support Services Bureaus, demonstrating steady leadership and a deep understanding of departmental operations.

Before joining the Redondo Beach Police Department, Chief Sprengel owned and operated a general contracting business and served three years as a Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff. He holds a Master's Degree in Law Enforcement and Public Safety Leadership from the University of San Diego and a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice. His career reflects a consistent commitment to professionalism, integrity, and service.

City Manager, Mike Witzansky, provided the following statement, "Steve is a second-generation member of the Redondo Beach Police Department. He was born in the City and has dedicated more than two decades to serving the community. Steve brings excitement, passion, caring, integrity, and commitment to the position and will build on the many successful initiatives implemented by his predecessor and mentor, Chief Hoffman."

Steve added, "I am honored to assume the role of Police Chief for the Redondo Beach Police Department and our community. I anticipate a smooth transition from Chief



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Hoffman's achievements, and I am committed to upholding the department's culture of unity, professional development, and our vision."

The appointment of Chief Sprengel marks an exciting new chapter for the Redondo Beach Police Department. The City would also like to extend its sincere appreciation to outgoing Chief Joe Hoffman, whose years of dedicated service and incredible leadership, built a strong foundation for continued Department success. Joe embodied the Department's Vision Statement, "We Are the Community – Leading the Way in Law Enforcement."