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Dear Mr. Grande and Members of the Select Board,

I am writing to inform you that I intend on retiring from law enforcement and my last day as Police Chief for the Town of Tisbury will be November 5th, 2021. I have determined that now is an appropriate time to transition to new opportunities. Though I am contractually required to provide only sixty days' notice of my intention to leave my position, I have elected, in the best interests of the Town and the agency, to provide you with this early notice in order to assist the Town in its' transitional efforts.

In less than three years, I have worked with my team of officers and staff within the police department to reorganize the agency's structure, improve its' culture, and fully modernize the agency's policies and directives. I have overseen a far-reaching inventor itemization project for our evidence room, including the digital scanning of evidence, along with dramatically updating our systems, and instituting regular equipment and personnel inspections. In modernizing our equipment, we implemented the first new Hybrid SUV police vehicles on Martha's Vineyard last year. In August of 2019, we held the first ever formal outside promotional process examination and interview process for TPD, as well as successfully planned and managed public safety for a first of its' kind, large weekend concert festival in Tisbury. These accomplishments, together with strengthening our community ties and relationships, have advanced the Tisbury Police Department significantly, and placed it in position for continued success in the future.

Among all of these accomplishments, we are most proud of the fact that we are preparing to achieve the long-anticipated goal of State Accreditation Certification at the end of this month. Additionally, the staffing within our agency has been stabilized, with very little turnover.

I am extremely proud of the capable group of officers that we have working for the Tisbury Police Department. I am very grateful for their consistent and steady support. We have a great group of people within the police department, and I hope that they continue to have your support. I am confident that this organization will build on the significant progress we have achieved in the past three years, and continue to have success and safety in the future.

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve as police chief, and will be available and ready to assist in any way during the coming months.

Sincerely,

Chief Mark G. Saloio

The Mission of the Tisbury Police Department is to work together with our residents and visitors

to provide safety, security and an enhanced quality of life within our community.

The Town of Tisbury is an Equal Opportunity organization.