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Turu VanderWiel, Acting Police Chief

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS
FROM: TURU VANDERWIEL, CHIEF OF POLICE
DATE: OCTOBER 15TH, 2018
RE: INTRODUCTION OF POLICE OFFICER PRISCILLA CARRASCO

Recommendations: There is no action required on this item. The Sonora Police Department would like to present our newest Police Officer.

Background: In June of 2018, The Police Department tested to fill vacant Police Officer positions with Police Academy graduates.

Discussion: Priscilla Carrasco has successfully completed all testing and initial training requirements to begin working as a sworn peace officer. Priscilla recently graduated the San Joaquin Delta Police Academy, and October 7th, started a 14 week Field Training Program with our department which will prepare her to work as a solo officer.

As Chief of Police, I am proud to introduce Officer Priscilla Carrasco.

Priscilla is from Ceres, California and has been captivated by the idea of becoming a Police Officer since the 3rd grade when a Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E) Officer visited her classroom. She is a 2007 graduate of Ceres High School, holds an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice through Brightwood College and plans to eventually obtain a Master's Degree.

Priscilla has worked in the customer service arena for Costco, Save Mart, and PetsMart in various central valley locations. For ten years she has assisted in the training of police and personal protection dogs at Big Valley Dog Training out of Delhi and is hopeful to one day help bring a K9 program to the Sonora Police Department.

She is excited about beginning the Field Training Program and wants to learn as much about the policing and City of Sonora as possible. Priscilla's long-term goal is to promote through the ranks with our department. She wrote, "I am excited to build a strong relationship with the residents of Sonora as well as those visiting our community. I have always been captivated by the beauty, history, and charm of Sonora and I am tremendously honored to now be able to protect and serve here. Thank you for allowing me the privilege of proudly wearing this uniform."

Respectfully,

A blue ink handwritten signature of Turu VanderWiel, consisting of a stylized first name and a long, sweeping last name.

Turu VanderWiel
Acting Police Chief