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## SONORA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**Turu VanderWiel, Acting Police Chief**

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS  
**FROM:** TURU VANDERWIEL, CHIEF OF POLICE  
**DATE:** FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2019  
**RE:** INTRODUCTION OF POLICE OFFICER THOMAS BRICKLEY

**Recommendations:** There is no action required on this item. The Sonora Police Department would like to present our newest Police Officer. As Chief of Police, I am proud to introduce Officer Thomas Brickley.

**Background:** In October of 2017, the Police Department tested to fill a vacant Police Officer positions with a candidate that would be sponsored by the City to attend a Police Academy.

**Discussion:** Thomas Brickley has completed all testing and initial training requirements to begin working as a sworn peace officer. Thomas graduated the San Joaquin Delta Police Academy on February 13th and is ready to begin a rigorous 14 week Field Training Program this week.

Thomas was born in Modesto and raised locally in Twain Harte. He graduated from Summerville High School in 2009 and began working at Dodge Ridge Ski Resort as a lift operator. He obtained his Outdoor Emergency Care Technician Certification and worked Ski Patrol; first as a volunteer, then as a paid employee and eventually worked his way up to Ski Patrol Section Leader. To help pay the bills, Thomas took a job as a Security officer for the Tuolumne Band of Mi Wuk Indians Tribal Security. Thomas obtained his E.M.T. Certificate from the Tuolumne Band Of Me-Wuk Indians Fire Department and went to work for Manteca District Ambulance - Tuolumne Division as an E.M.T.

In 2017, Thomas became a Community Service Volunteer with the Sonora Police Department and volunteered many hours as he learned more about law enforcement. In this capacity, Thomas also became very involved as an Advisor for our Police Explorer Program.

In his free time, Thomas likes to spend time with his family, ride motorcycles, go kayaking, fishing, skiing, snowboard, and hiking.

Respectfully,

Turu VanderWiel  
Acting Police Chief