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Chief of Police

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Todd Selig, Town Administrator
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Dear Todd:


I write this letter to formally advise you that I am retiring as Durham Police Chief effective July 17, 2020. Over the past 24 years I have had the distinct pleasure of working collaboratively with a group of remarkable men and women who daily demonstrate their dedication and commitment to the residents of Durham. It is through their devotion of duty and professional service that Durham has been recognized as one of the safest and best places to live, work, and learn.

I have thoroughly enjoyed working collaboratively with an outstanding group of Town staff who demonstrate their commitment to Durham daily in countless ways. The trust and faith that the various Durham Town Councils have bestowed upon me has allowed for the creation of a wonderful working environment over these years. Additionally, my experience with the staff and administration of New Hampshire's flagship university, the University of New Hampshire have contributed to a strong working relationship that enables our joint community to be recognized as the model for "how it should be done!" The countless community organizations, the Oyster River School District and the Strafford County officials, have all contributed to the department's success as we collectively strive to make Durham one of the most outstanding communities in the State.

Most of all I want to thank you for your steady leadership and willingness to listen to my ideas and philosophy of how I believed Durham desired to have their law enforcement services delivered. We agreed on the vast majority of topics but when we did not, I have always appreciated your taking time for an explanation. I have respected your guidance, mentoring and insightfulness and have been extremely pleased that philosophically we routinely are on the same page. You have made being Durham's Police Chief an extremely rewarding venture and as I have noted, having that title was second only to being called "Dad"!

If I can be of any service in the future, I remain committed to Durham and the philosophy of how this community is serviced.

Sincerely,


David L. Kurz
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