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CHIEF OF POLICE MIGUEL A. EXPOSITO

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Miguel A. Exposito became the City of Miami Police Department's Chief of Police on November 24, 2009. He commands over 1,100 police officers and 400 civilians.

Chief Exposito began his career with the Miami Police Department in 1974, as a member of the inaugural Public Service Aide class. A year after joining the department, he became a police officer. In this capacity, Chief Exposito worked as a patrol officer and field training officer, in addition to carrying out numerous undercover assignments.

In 1980, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant, initially assigned as a patrol sergeant and then as an investigator and supervisor in the Internal Affairs Section. During his tenure in Internal Affairs, Chief Exposito was a lead investigator on several corruption cases that led to the arrest, conviction and firing of numerous rogue officers.

In 1984, he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant and was assigned to the Communications Section, eventually becoming the first commanding officer of the then-newly created Sexual Battery/Special Victims Unit.

In 1988, at the age of 33, Chief Exposito was promoted to the rank of major. As a major, he has commanded the Special Investigations Section, the Patrol Central District, the Communications Section, the Internal Affairs Section, the South District Substation, the Criminal Investigations Section and the Property Section/ Compliance Task Force.

Chief Exposito is the recipient of the department's most outstanding officer of the month award and has been runner-up for the award on five occasions. He has received numerous commendations and special recognition, including letters of appreciation from former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, the President of the Dominican Republic, two City of Miami mayors, and various federal law enforcement agencies and civic groups.

Chief Exposito is a graduate of the prestigious FBI National Academy, the Police Executive Research Forum's Senior Management Institute for Police (SMIP/PERF), the Harvard University JFK School of Government, and Florida International University's Institute of Government. He holds a Bachelor's Degree from Barry University, and has completed coursework at the University of Virginia toward a Master's Degree. He has also appeared on numerous television programs discussing such topics as professionalism in law enforcement and police misconduct investigations.

In 1994, at the request of the U.S. State Department and as a representative of the United States, Chief Exposito lectured 255 high-ranking government officials at the International Consultation Conference on Community Policing, Police Corruption, and Professionalism in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Originally from Cuba, Chief Exposito migrated to the United States at the age of five, along with his family, settling in Miami.

He and his wife have been married for over 30 years and reside in Miami with their daughter.

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