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### **LT. MOODIE NAMED CHIEF OF SAN CLEMENTE POLICE SERVICES**

March 19, 2014....San Clemente, California...City Manager Pall Gudgeirsson appointed Lieutenant David W. Moodie to the position of Chief of Police Services for the City of San Clemente effective Friday, March 21, 2014.

Lt. Moodie has spent the past 25 years dedicated to his law enforcement career. His career began in 1989 as a police officer for the Fountain Valley Police Department where he was promoted twice. He joined the Orange County Sheriff's Department (OCSD) in October 2001 and rose through the ranks gaining expertise in all areas of law enforcement from jails, patrol, SWAT, and detective work, to special investigations, narcotics and vice. Lt. Moodie is well respected within the OCSD and has demonstrated exceptional supervisory and training skills, and an outstanding ability to manage and resolve conflict in a positive way.

Lt. Moodie attained his current rank of lieutenant on March 6, 2014. Some of his career highlights include serving as supervisor of the Tactical Training Center which is responsible for tactical training of all OCSD personnel and portions of mandated training that other police agencies within the county are required to attend. He also supervised the entire 40-man SWAT team as the full-time administrative sergeant. Most recently as the Tactical Apprehension Team sergeant, Lt. Moodie supervised a 10-man team that is cross-sworn as U.S. Federal Marshals and have primary responsibility of arresting subjects with outstanding warrants within Orange County.

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“After enduring a rigorous selection process, involving an impressive number of candidates, we deemed Lt. Moodie the best fit for San Clemente,” said Pall Gudgeirsson. “Lt. Moodie is very approachable and committed to engaging our residents. I am certain with his outstanding credentials and proven leadership abilities that our residents will be pleased with our selection.”

Lt. Moodie moved to San Clemente in his teens and resided here for 7 years. His children grew up playing sports in San Clemente and continue to be involved in sports programs here. Lt. Moodie is an avid surfer and enjoys surfing regularly in San Clemente. “I am grateful to come home and be entrusted with this dream assignment,” said Lt. Moodie. “I have a vested interest in the city’s well-being and will do my best to serve the residents, while working hard to ensure San Clemente’s positive ranking as one of the state’s and nation’s safest communities continues,” added Lt. Moodie.

Lt. Moodie is 47 years of age and married to his wife Margo of 25 years. They have four children, one of which is a Deputy with the Orange County Sheriff’s Department.

“I am confident that under Lt. Moodie’s capable leadership, San Clemente Police Services will continue its great work to protect our community against crime. His extensive law enforcement background is key to meeting the growing and changing needs of our city,” said Mayor Tim Brown.

*(Photo Attached)*

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