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Mayor Stone Announces Appointment of Eric Hawkins as Warren Police Commissioner

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Warren, MI, September 18, 2024 – After a national Police Commissioner search, Mayor Lori M. Stone proudly announces the appointment of Eric Hawkins as the new Police Commissioner for the City of Warren. Hawkins, a law enforcement professional with over 33 years of experience, brings an exceptional track record of leadership and community engagement to Warren.

"Eric Hawkins has demonstrated unparalleled dedication to public safety, innovation, and community collaboration throughout his distinguished career," said Mayor Lori M. Stone. "We are excited to welcome him as the leader of our police department as we continue to focus on building a safer and stronger community."

Hawkins joins the City of Warren following a successful tenure as Chief of Police for the City of Albany, New York, where he oversaw a department serving a diverse population of comparable sized capitol city. Hawkins played a pivotal role in modernizing the department's operations, including upgrading technology and infrastructure to better serve the community. His leadership resulted in the implementation of several forward-thinking initiatives, including a focus on officer wellness.

Prior to his time in Albany, Hawkins served 27 years with the Southfield Police Department, including 6 years as Chief of Police. His innovative approaches to law enforcement resulted in a significant reduction in crime. He also worked to strengthen relations between the police department and the local school system and establishing community-focused programs.

Hawkins' career accomplishments reflect a commitment to community-centered policing. He has extensive experience managing large operational budgets and has led recruitment and professional development efforts that have enhanced police operations and strengthened community ties. Hawkins earned a juris doctor degree from Cooley Law School and attended the FBI National Academy and the Command Institute for Police Executives.

"I am deeply honored to serve as the Police Commissioner for the City of Warren," said Hawkins. "I look forward to collaborating with the community and building on the strong foundation of safety and trust that exists within this city."

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