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MICHAEL HOSKING APPOINTED DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF IN LAKE BLUFF

On Monday, February 24th the Lake Bluff Village Board will swear in their ninth Police Chief in the history of the Village. With the appointment of David Belmonte as the new Chief, an opening developed for the position of Lake Bluff Deputy Chief of Police. A list of candidates was reviewed by Village Administrator Drew Irvin and incoming Police Chief David Belmonte and one name rose quickly to the top -- Michael Hosking.

Mr. Hosking started his career as a police officer in Lake Forest in 1975. He was appointed Lake Forest Chief of Police in 1999 and in 2004 was appointed the Director of Public Safety until 2006. He also was the Lake Forest Fire Chief from 2006 to 2007. Since 2008 Mr. Hosking has been conducting executive recruitments and serving as a management consultant for Voorhees Associates in Deerfield. Mr. Hosking is a graduate of Northeastern Illinois University and has a Master's degree in Law Enforcement Administration from Western Illinois University. He is also a military Veteran and a graduate of the FBI National Academy, the Illinois Executive Institute and a number of other nationally recognized senior management programs.

"I have known Mike my entire police career and have looked to him as a role model. The idea he could be a Deputy Chief for me was incredible," Belmonte stated. Hosking will be appointed as the Police Department's second in command as the Deputy Chief, and will oversee general department operations as well helping prepare the new Sergeants for added responsibilities. "The continued professional development of our staff is paramount to the health of our Department," Belmonte stated.

Hosking will start as Deputy Chief on March 10, 2014.

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