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Pleasanton Police Department Celebrates Four Promotions

Pleasanton, CA –In a special badge pinning and oath of office ceremony held yesterday in the City Council Chambers, Pleasanton Police Chief David C. Spiller proudly promoted Officers Jerry Niceley and Roy Gamez to the rank of Police Sergeant, and Sergeants Penelope Tamm and Joseph Leonardo to the rank of Police Lieutenant.

Sergeant Niceley was hired by the Department as a Reserve Police Officer in 1993 and as a full-time police officer in 1995. He has served in many assignments including Investigations, Traffic and SWAT. Sergeant Niceley was one of the first two Pleasanton police officers to start up the Every 15 Minutes Program. He has also served as President of the Pleasanton Police Officers Association. Sergeant Niceley holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Occupational Studies from California State University, Long Beach.

Sergeant Gamez joined the Department in 2005 and has served in a variety of collateral assignments, including SWAT, Field Training Officer, Explorer Advisor and Canine Handler. He has also served as a School Resource Officer at Amador Valley High School. Sergeant Gamez earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice Management from Union Institute University.

In a special moment during this morning's ceremony, both Sergeants were pinned by their children, Sergeant Niceley by his son Jeremy, and Sergeant Gamez by his daughter Sophia.

Lieutenant Tamm has been with the Department since 1991 and has served in patrol, juvenile investigations, crime prevention and arson investigations. She was promoted to Sergeant in 2008 and most recently served as the Special Events Supervisor. Lieutenant Tamm received her undergraduate



degree in Psychology from Fresno State University and holds a Master's Degree, also in Psychology, from Santa Clara University.

Lieutenant Leonardo was hired by the Department in 1989 and has served in Patrol, D.A.R.E., and Investigations. He has been a member of the SWAT team for over twenty years. Lieutenant Leonardo was promoted to Sergeant in 2007 and most recently served as the Special Operations Motor Sergeant. He received the Officer of the Year award twice, once in 2006 and again in 2015. Lieutenant Leonardo possesses a Bachelor of Science degree from Union Institute & University. Both Lieutenant Tamm and Lieutenant Leonardo are graduates of the Sherman Block Supervisor Leadership Institute.

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