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His Worship Doug McCallum Chair, Surrey Police Board 13450 104 Avenue Surrey BC V3T 1V8

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Dear Mayor McCallum:

Thank you for your March 4, 202 letter, advising that the Surrey Police Board has reached its first Collective Agreement with the Surrey Police Union.

I would like to offer my congratulations to the Surrey Police Board for finalizing its first collective agreement for sworn police officers with the Surrey Police Union. I understand this was identified as a priority for the Board by the Director of Police Services, and its completion is a significant accomplishment in the establishment of the Surrey Police Service.

I am pleased to hear that the Surrey Police Board, Surrey Police Service, and Surrey Police Union have developed a positive working relationship through the process of achieving this major accomplishment. A strong relationship with the bargaining unit is crucial for the success of the Surrey Police Service; for example, in fostering a healthy work environment and supporting the responsibilities of the Surrey Police Board and Surrey Police Services under complaint and investigation processes.

Once again congratulations on this important milestone. I look forward to seeing continued progress of both the Surrey Police Board and Surrey Police Service in this unprecedented policing model transition.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

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