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**Anoka County Law Enforcement Leaders Head
Minnesota Sheriffs' Association and Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association**

The Anoka County Sheriff's Office and Fridley Police Department are excited to announce that Sheriff James Stuart and Director of Public Safety & Police Chief Brian Weierke have been elected 2022 Presidents of the Minnesota Sheriff's Association and Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association, respectively. In addition to their strong commitment to Anoka County, Sheriff Stuart and Chief Weierke are also proud to lead these associations that work together to collaborate with others in promoting public safety initiatives for all those in Minnesota.

"Anoka County law enforcement has a long history of uniquely collaborating to provide exceptional public safety services to our communities. Our state associations also work closely together to ensure that public and professional interests are pursued. To be able to expand the working relationship with Chief Weierke is an honor and I look forward to also strengthening the resolve and effectiveness of both associations." stated Sheriff Stuart.

Chief Weierke added "Each of these associations do great work, and I am excited for the opportunity to further their combined efforts while working alongside Sheriff Stuart. All public safety professionals know how vital it can be to receive and provide support to our neighboring agencies in times of need. It is a privilege to be selected to lead the development of those connections and ensure departments across the state have the resources available to best serve their communities."

Minnesota Sheriffs' Association's mission is to advance legislation for the betterment of the public, foster continuing education and training, and support fellow sheriffs in the performance of their statutory duties. The guiding principles of the Minnesota Sheriff's Association include honesty, respect, integrity, pride, and professionalism.

The mission of the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association is to bring the highest quality police services to the people of Minnesota, and is a nonprofit, professional membership organization representing more than 1,000 current and retired law enforcement leaders in the state.