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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Orland Names New Chief of Police: Joe Vlach

(Orland, CA, May 30, 2019) – Orland City Manager Pete Carr today announced that Joe Vlach, a longtime officer and sergeant with the Orland Police Department, is appointed as Orland's new Chief of Police, effective July 1st.

Chief J.C. Tolle recently announced that he will retire at the end of June. Vlach's employment agreement will be presented to the City Council for approval June 3.

"I am honored to serve Orland, my hometown, and proud to be associated with such an exceptional group of dedicated officers. I look forward to the leadership responsibility of this community service-oriented law enforcement department."

Joe Vlach grew up in Orland and has 20 years of service experience in the Orland Police Department, plus nine years' service with the US Air Force. Vlach holds an associate degree in criminal justice, graduated from POST Supervisory Leadership Institute and completed Role of the Chief course.

"We are fortunate to have someone so professional and capable, with such a legacy of demonstrated commitment to our nation and to this community, ready and willing to step up to this responsibility of police chief," Carr said. "Sgt. Vlach's outstanding preparation for the chief role speaks well of his personal caliber and of the department's excellent efforts to provide law enforcement skills training and leadership opportunities to its officers."

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Attached: Bio, photo

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