

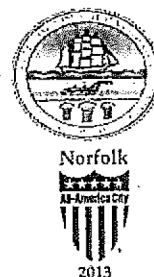


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February 10, 2017

Martha S. Mavredes
Auditor of Public Accounts
P.O. Box 1295
Richmond, VA 23218

Dear Ms. Mavredes:

I take this opportunity to introduce myself to you as the new Sheriff of the Norfolk Sheriff's Office (NSO). I took over all responsibilities of the organization when I took the oath of office on February 1, 2017.

The previous administration was in place for over 23 years. As the new administrator, I believe it to be prudent to have your office conduct a comprehensive turnover audit.

I'd like a fresh start, to ensure that the NSO is operating as it should, and to be alerted to any areas that need attention or fixing. The effective, efficient, and safe operations of the NSO are of the highest priority to me. To that end, I'd like to request an audit of our agency at your earliest convenience.

Please contact Dee Minor at 757-664-4713 to schedule a time to meet with me or advise me of any procedure you have in place to fulfill this request. My email is: joseph.baron@norfolk-sheriff.com. You may copy Dee at diana.minor@norfolk-sheriff.com to make sure that I see your correspondence.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Joseph P. Baron
Sheriff / High Constable

c: Mayor Kenneth Alexander
Douglas L. Smith, Interim City Manager
Angelia Williams Graves, Norfolk City Councilwoman
Mamie Johnson, Norfolk City Councilwoman
Andria P. McClellan, Norfolk City Councilwoman
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Martin A. Thomas, Jr. Norfolk City Councilman
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Bernard Pishko, City Attorney