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**DEPARTURE OF COMMISSIONER MICHAEL HARRISON**

(Baltimore, MD) – The Baltimore Police Consent Decree Monitoring Team has enjoyed a positive and productive relationship with Commissioner Michael Harrison. During his tenure, the Police Department has made significant progress on the road to compliance with the Decree. We congratulate Commissioner Harrison on his highly successful term leading the Baltimore Police Department.

The Monitoring Team has also enjoyed an excellent working relationship with Deputy Commissioner Richard Worley. We know that he appreciates that the Consent Decree, with all of its various requirements, is a Federal court order with which the Police Department and the City must comply. We look forward to continuing our productive relationship with the Baltimore Police Department under Commissioner Worley's leadership, and we look forward to the not-too-distant day when US District Court finds the City and the Department in full compliance.

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*The Baltimore Police Monitoring Team oversees the implementation of the Consent Decree – a judicially-enforceable agreement – between the Baltimore City Police Department, the City of Baltimore and the United States. The Consent Decree requires BPD to adopt a number of specific reforms aimed at ensuring effective, safe, and constitutional policing. The Monitoring Team's job is to help the Court gauge whether, consistent with the Consent Decree's objectives, BPD is achieving meaningful reform by making tangible changes in its policies and practices for the benefit of Baltimoreans. The Monitoring Team also provides technical assistance to BPD as it seeks to implement the reforms required by the Consent Decree. The Monitoring Team includes specialists in policing and police reform, civil rights enforcement, psychology, social science, organizational change, data and technology, and community engagement.*