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**ROCKY WENRICK TAPPED TO BECOME CITY OF AZUSA'S NEXT CHIEF OF POLICE**  
*Wenrick has served as Interim Police Chief since earlier this year*

**AZUSA** – City of Azusa City Manager, Sergio Gonzalez, announced earlier this week the selection of Azusa Interim Police Chief, Rocky Wenrick to the permanent post following an extensive and competitive recruitment process. Wenrick has been serving as Interim Chief since February of this year and is a 19-year veteran of the Azusa Police Department. Chief Wenrick will assume his duties officially as Azusa's newest police chief on Monday, November 7th and will be ceremoniously sworn-in to office at the Azusa City Council meeting that evening commencing at 7:30 p.m. in the civic auditorium at 213 E. Foothill Blvd. A reception in his honor will be held in the Azusa City Hall Courtyard (directly adjacent the Civic Auditorium) at 6:00 p.m. prior to the council meeting. The general public is invited to attend.

"It is a great pleasure to appoint Rocky to serve as the City's next Chief of Police," said Azusa City Manager, Sergio Gonzalez. "He has served our city faithfully and with distinction for over 19 years, and I am proud of his work thus far as Interim Chief. I look forward to continuing to work with Rocky in this capacity and have complete confidence that he will do an exceptional job leading Azusa's police department while serving our community's diverse residents, business community and visitors." he added.

"I am both honored and humbled by this appointment," said Wenrick. "I appreciate the City Manager's vote of confidence and look forward to continuing to serve the Azusa community, the City and our department. Fostering strong partnerships with our residents is an important component to ensuring successful public safety to the City of Azusa, and we are committed to growing those partnerships through engagement, service, and leadership – thank you to the community for their continued support."

Prior to serving as Chief, Wenrick was a Lieutenant with the Department. He also held the ranks of corporal and sergeant, with supervisory assignments over the department's detective bureau, Homeless Assistance Liaison Officer team, and gang unit over his 19 years with the City of Azusa. Cumulatively, Wenrick's law enforcement career spans over 25 years. Wenrick grew up locally in neighboring City of Duarte. He holds a bachelor's degree in Public Administration and a master's degree in Business Administration from the University of La Verne. He is a recipient of the Presidential Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor award, the California Peace Officers Association Medal of Valor award, and the Azusa Police Department's Medal of Valor award; among other distinctions.

For additional information, please visit the Azusa City website or contact the City Manager's Office at 626-812-5200.

**About Azusa**

Founded in 1887, Azusa is a thriving community of some 50,000 residents. Nestled against the San Gabriel Mountain foothills in the County of Los Angeles, Azusa has been recognized for its diverse community programs, premier public parks and facilities, and business friendly initiatives.

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