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New Dearborn police chief sworn in

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DEARBORN - Mayor Jack O'Reilly's appointment of Ron Haddad as Dearborn's new police chief became official on Monday with a brief swearing-in ceremony as Haddad started his first day on the job.

Haddad has been a law enforcement professional for 34 years and is a retired deputy chief of the Detroit Police Department. He most recently had a top security position in the auto industry.

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O'Reilly selected Haddad to head the Dearborn department in October. At that time, he cited Haddad's extensive career both on the front lines and in police administration, his outstanding leadership experience and his far-reaching community involvement.

Haddad began his career with the Detroit Police Department in 1973 and retired in January 2007 as deputy chief of the northwestern district.

During his career in Detroit, Haddad also had been deputy chief of the eastern operations bureau in charge of seven precincts, and deputy chief in charge of homeland security.

In addition, among his many other responsibilities, Haddad had commanded Detroit's 11th precinct and held executive lieutenant positions.

He has been honored for his role in the success of security at special events,

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O'Reilly said Haddad has a strong background in budgeting and administrative details, as well as a talent for inspiring organizational excellence.

Haddad graduated from Salesian High School in Detroit. He holds associate and bachelor's degrees in law enforcement from the University of Detroit-Mercy and a master's degree from Eastern Michigan University.

Haddad has earned an extensive list of other educational, specialized training and professional development certifications, and has received 170 letters of commendation for outstanding service to the department and the community.

The leadership team of the Dearborn Police Department also includes Deputy Chief Gregg Brighton and Commanders Jeff Geisinger and Joe Doulette.



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