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To: Randolph Town Council

From: Chief Anthony T. Marag

Re: Officer Casey L'italien

Please accept my endorsement and letter of support for the passage of the "Act Providing for the Retirement of Casey L'italien, a Police Officer in the Town of Randolph."

Casey L'italien has been employed as a Police Officer in Randolph since 2012. She is a patrol officer that always put others first and is a member of the Human Trafficking Unit. Before becoming an officer, she worked at the courthouse as a victim advocate. She has always been at the forefront of helping victims. Our department leaned on her to provide that critical component of victim services. Due to her dedicated selfless service, she has transformed into a role model for other officers

On May 25th, 2021, Officer L'italien became the victim. On the day in question, she responded to the Comfort Inn for a domestic dispute. Once on scene, the investigation showed that the defendant had violently assaulted the female victim. Officer L'italien and Officer Aldred attempted to place the defendant into custody. He violently assaulted Officer L'italien and pushed her to the ground, striking her head on the hard pavement of the parking lot. She returned to her feet to assist Officer Aldred who was struggling with the defendant. The defendant again assaulted both officers and shoved Officer L'italien to the ground a second time. It took multiple officers with a taser to subdue the defendant.

The defendant showed complete contempt for authority and the desire to injure police officers. The defendant complained of injury and was transported to the hospital. He was aggressive with the nurses and was threatening them as well as officers who were present. He smuggled a razor under his tongue into the booking room after he returned from the hospital. It was clear that his intentions on this day were to assault and seriously injure officers.

The defendant made the decision to assault Officer Casey L'Italien, and when he did, he changed her life forever. She will forever struggle with the injuries she sustained that day. This violent assault left a lasting impact on her physical, emotional, and mental health. This has affected every fiber of her being

and every personal and professional relationship. Her family has been deeply affected. Without Officer L'italien within our ranks, the Randolph Police Department and community are left with a void that greatly affects us all. Officer L'Italien will never be able to return to work.

Officer Casey L'italien is an officer that has consistently and compassionately supported and protected others. I respectfully request favorable action on this petition. My hope is that the Randolph community will support Officer Casey L'italien so that she may retire and continue to care for her young family.

Sincerely,

Chief Anthony T. Marag