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NCSO Superintendent Danielle Frane Receives Spirit of MAWLE Leadership Award for Women in Law Enforcement

CANTON, MA – Norfolk County Sheriff's Office Superintendent Danielle Frane received the Spirit of MAWLE Leadership Award from the Massachusetts Association of Women in Law Enforcement (MAWLE) yesterday at a reception held at the Irish Cultural Center in Canton. Superintendent Frane also delivered the keynote address to attendees and spoke of the importance of promoting women to leadership positions in law enforcement.

Norfolk County Sheriff Patrick McDermott praised Superintendent Frane for her consistent and clear leadership. "Superintendent Frane brings a level of professionalism and clarity that is second to none. Under her leadership the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office continues to operate at the highest level, but the example she sets has continued to reverberate well outside of our facility," he said. "Superintendent Frane sets an example of ethical and professional leadership throughout the law enforcement community, not just for women but all law enforcement professionals."

"I am humbled to even be considered for this award from an organization such as MAWLE. This recognition gives women another avenue to pursue in law enforcement," said Superintendent Frane. "I also want to thank Sheriff McDermott for supporting me as Superintendent and also creating an environment where women at the NCSO are encouraged to see themselves as leaders."

According to the MAWLE website, the Spirit of MAWLE Leadership Award is given "to a woman within the law enforcement field who distinguishes herself by superior accomplishments or continuing, long term involvement, using leadership skills that encompass but are not limited to problem solving, planning, organizational, communication and/or administrative which make a significant contribution within the agency or the law enforcement mission."

Superintendent Frane has worked for the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office for twenty-five years, beginning as a corrections officer before working on the electronic incarceration program. She was promoted to Director

of Classifications in 2007 and named Assistant Deputy Superintendent of Classifications and Programs in 2019. When Sheriff McDermott took office in 2021, he named her Assistant Superintendent of Jail Operations. She assumed the role of Superintendent of Jail Operations in March of this year, following the retirement of former Superintendent Michael Harris. She is the first woman to serve as Superintendent in the 229-year history of the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office.

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