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Mayor Greg Hoffman
Chippewa Falls Police and Fire Commission
Chippewa Falls City Hall
30 W. Canal St.
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Dear Mayor Hoffman and Members of the Chippewa Falls Police and Fire Commission,

I'm writing to you today to submit my notice of resignation from the position of Chief of Police, with an anticipated end date of February 16, 2024. I want you to know that this decision was not one that was made lightly. I have spent a significant amount of time over the past months contemplating my future, and while I have treasured my time with the Chippewa Falls Police Department, I feel it is best for me and my family to close this chapter of my career.

During my tenure as Chief of the Chippewa Falls Police Department, I have had the honor and privilege of working alongside the most dedicated and committed individuals in law enforcement. They tirelessly serve and protect our community. Together, we have faced numerous challenges and celebrated many successes. The experiences I have gained, and the relationships I have built will forever be cherished.

I want to express my profound gratitude to the entire police force for their unwavering dedication and hard work. I am grateful for the support and camaraderie of my colleagues throughout my near quarter century with the department. It has truly been my honor to lead such a committed group of professionals who put their lives on the line every day to ensure the safety and well-being of our community.

I am confident that the department will continue to thrive under new leadership, and I am committed to facilitating a smooth transition. I will work diligently over the remainder of my tenure here to ensure that all pending matters are addressed and that there is a seamless transfer of responsibilities. It is my hope to have my exit transition last three months, however I ask for your understanding in the event my circumstances require that to be shortened.

I extend my deepest appreciation to you all and to the members of the City Council, my family at the Chippewa Falls Police Department and the Chippewa Falls community for their support of me and our department during my tenure as Chief. I am so very proud of the progress we have made together, and I am very optimistic about the department's future achievements.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as Chief of Police. I look forward to seeing the department's continued success in the years to come.

Sincerely,



Matthew L. Kelm
Chief of Police