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Xenia Police Division Captain Alonzo Wilson Retires

Xenia, Ohio (March 6, 2019) Xenia Police Division Captain Alonzo Wilson will retire from the Xenia Police Division (XPD) March 8, 2019.

Captain Wilson is a graduate of Greenview High School. Following high school, he received his Peace Officer certification from the Ohio Peace Officer Academy. During the course of his career he graduated from Northwestern University School of Police Staff and The John Glenn College of Public Affairs Public Safety Leadership Academy.

Captain Wilson began his career with the Xenia Police Division on March 10, 1991, when he was hired as a full-time officer. He accepted many specialized assignments during his career with XPD. Captain Wilson served as a detective in Criminal Investigation Section where he was an instrumental part of establishing the Internet Child Protection Unit (ICPU), Canine Officer for the Canine Unit and member of the division's Special Weapons and Tactics Team (S.W.A.T) for eight years.

On June 17, 2007, Wilson was promoted to Police Sergeant where he served for nine (9) years before his promotion to Police Captain in June 2016. As Captain, Wilson served as the commander of the Special Services Section which included the Criminal Investigation Section, the D.A.R.E. Program, School Resource Officer, Domestic Violence Unit, and the detective assigned to the Greene County Agency for Combine Enforcement (A.C.E.).

Captain Wilson received many commendations recognizing his professional conduct and performance throughout his career. Wilson was the recipient of the Casey Elliott Memorial "City's Finest" award in 2001, the Leadership award in 2002 for assisting with establishing the Internet Child Protection Unit resulting in arrests all over the county, and the Distinguished Service award in 2009 in recognition of his outstanding acts of heroism. He also received three other notable awards, during the State Attorney General's 2003 conference on Law Enforcement he was presented with the Ohio Distinguished Law Enforcement Service Award at for his work with the Xenia Police Division Internet Child Protection Unit. In 2004 Wilson received the Det. David P. Eckert Memorial Award for exemplary law enforcement service to victims of crime presented by the Victim Witness Division, Greene County Prosecutor's Office. Captain Wilson also received a Certificate of

Recognition from the Chicago Police Department for his distinguished service in the interrogation of a wanted suspect for a murder committed in Chicago resulting in a first degree murder charge.

Captain Alonzo Wilson and his wife, Marina of 25 years, have one daughter, Megan.

Xenia Police Division Chief Donald Person stated “Captain Wilson has been a great asset to this division and this community throughout his entire distinguished career. He has provided strong leadership since his early days as a detective. Captain Wilson can always be counted upon to do the right things for the right reason in a fair and just manner. His leadership and mentorship will be missed by all in the police division. We wish him well in his new endeavors.”