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Kyle Police Chief to Step Down

Kyle Police Chief Al Moore announced today that he will step down from his post after six years as the top law enforcement officer in Kyle. Chief Moore's tenure with the Kyle Police Department will conclude at the close of the business day, June 1, 2007.

"I was hired six years ago for the specific purpose of taking the Kyle Police Department to the next level through an anticipated period of rapid growth," said Moore. "I don't believe anyone realized at that time how much growth was to follow, but I believe I have completed the job I was hired to do and now it is time to move on."

Chief Moore took over a staff of 10 employees, which included 8 sworn officers, and a budget of about \$300,000 to protect and serve a population of approximately 5,000 residents. Today the Kyle Police department has 28 full-time staff, including 19 sworn officers, a \$1.75 million budget and serves a rapidly growing city of over 25,000 people.

"I would like to thank Chief Moore for the great job he has done for the citizens of Kyle over the past six years," said Tom Mattis, Kyle City Manager. "He has set a high standard for our police force and provided the City of Kyle with a sense of security that has played a large role in our success as a City."

Mattis has appointed Kyle Police Captain Pedro Hernandez as acting Chief. A search for a new chief will begin as soon as possible.

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“I would like to extend my appreciation and gratitude to the citizens of Kyle who have moved to Kyle by the thousands over the last six years with an expectation of building a good life and raising their families in a secure and wholesome environment,” said Moore. “I appreciate the confidence and support the citizens have shown in their police department and their trust in us to provide for them that safe and secure environment in which to live and raise their families.”

“I feel the Chief has left us a very competent police force that will continue to function at an extraordinarily high level,” said Mattis. “I have every confidence that Acting Chief Hernandez and his officers and staff will continue to fulfill the mission of providing quality law enforcement and public safety that Chief Moore has instilled in them.”

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