To: Spokane Media From: John Gately

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Re: Chief Straub resignation



During his tenure as Police Chief, the Spokane Police Guild has maintained a positive working relationship with Chief Straub. He treated our members fairly and worked with the Guild on issues that impacted our members. However, we understand that our experience with Chief Straub was different than the experience of other members of the Spokane Police Department. During the past three years we believe there were many changes made that have moved the Police Department forward and have benefited the community that we serve.

As the officers who work daily with the members of the community, we are committed to continuing to move the Police Department forward and to fulfilling our Department mission of reducing crime and violence, building community trust, and engaging with the citizens that we serve.

We look forward to working with Interim Chief Dobrow. Based on our experience with Interim Chief Dobrow, we believe he will treat the employees and citizens of Spokane with respect, and will continue to lead our Department in a positive direction to fulfill our Departments mission.

John Gately

President Spokane Police Guild