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Laguna Niguel selects Captain Isaac Flores as new Chief of Police Services

LAGUNA NIGUEL, Ca. (Jan. 9, 2022): The city of Laguna Niguel has selected Captain Isaac Flores to serve as the new Chief of Police Services.

"I am honored to have been selected to lead an exceptional team of sworn and professional staff committed to the safety and wellbeing of the residents of Laguna Niguel," Captain Flores said. "Having served this community under Captain Virgil Asuncion, I look forward to continuing our well-established dedication to service and professionalism."

Captain Flores has been with the Orange County Sheriff's Department for more than 21 years. As a deputy, he was assigned to Custody Operations and Patrol Operations, where he served the city of Stanton and mentored new patrol deputies as a Field Training Officer.

Captain Flores then transferred to the Homeland Security Division to work as the Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Coordinator, managing the deployment of law enforcement resources across the county and state to assist in large-scale incidents such as search and rescue efforts, civil unrest and natural disasters.

He then promoted to Sergeant and was assigned to the Theo Lacy Jail before transferring to the Training Division to supervise a full-time training unit at the Tactical Training Center. Captain Flores transferred to the city of Laguna Niguel in 2020, first as a Patrol Sergeant and then as the Administrative Sergeant. He then worked Internal Affairs before promoting to Lieutenant

and returning to the Theo Lacy Jail to oversee day-to-day operations.

Captain Flores has a bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies from Cal Poly Humboldt. He has a background in tactics and emergency management. He is also a college instructor and certified to teach Crowd Control, Less Lethal Munitions, Taser, Firearms, Tactics, Active Shooter Response, and Advanced Incident Command System.

Captain Flores will begin his new role Jan. 13 when Captain Virgil Asuncion promotes to the rank of Commander, serving Southwest Operations, which includes the city of Laguna Niguel.

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