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## Norfolk County Sheriff's Office's Commitment to Leadership Recognized with Prestigious National Award

DEDHAM, MA – Norfolk County Sheriff Patrick McDermott announced that the Sheriff's Office was awarded the prestigious FBI-LEEDA Trilogy Agency Award on Wednesday in recognition of the office's commitment to leadership training for its command staff. The Norfolk County Sheriff's Office is the first Sheriff's Office in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to receive the distinction.

"The FBI-LEEDA Trilogy Agency Award is a reflection of our agency's commitment to true and transformative leadership," said Sheriff McDermott. "When I first took office, I made it clear that I wanted to support my staff's pursuit of self-improvement and training, in whatever form that might take. It's been a true pleasure to see the NCSO team rise to the occasion through a variety of professional development opportunities, including the FBI-LEEDA leadership institutes."

The FBI-LEEDA Trilogy Agency Award is given to law enforcement organizations whose entire command staff has undergone the rigorous series of leadership trainings and earned the individual FBI-LEEDA Trilogy Awards. These trainings — which take months to even years to complete — are composed of three leadership institutes: the Supervisor Leadership Institute, the Command Leadership Institute, and the Executive Leadership Institute. FBI-LEEDA is a national law enforcement training non-profit whose mission is "to advance the science and art of law enforcement leadership and promote the exchange of information to improve law enforcement management practices through training, education, and networking among police professionals across the United States and beyond."

To date, 85 agencies across the United States have received the FBI-LEEDA Trilogy Agency Award, including five police departments in Massachusetts. The Norfolk County Sheriff's Office is the first Sheriff's Office in Massachusetts to be awarded.

Sheriff McDermott accepted the FBI-LEEDA Trilogy Agency Award on behalf of the Sheriff's Office at a ceremony held at the Norfolk County House of Correction in Dedham. The award was presented by

Stoughton Police Chief and FBI-LEEDA President-Elect Donna McNamara.

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