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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF



April 9, 2010

On July 27, 2007, Officer George V. Cortez, Jr. #8232 was murdered while serving our community. At that time, Norma Lopez distracted Officer Cortez, which allowed her boyfriend Eddie Rose to shoot and kill him. Lopez pled to Second Degree Murder for her role in this brutal crime. Rose is still awaiting his trial.

Today, Norma Lopez was sentenced to 22 years in prison, which is the maximum sentence for Second Degree Murder. At this time, I would like to thank everyone who has worked on and continues to work on this case. The sentencing of this individual sends a clear message that anyone who murders or aids in the murder of a police officer will be punished for his or her actions.

In addition, my thoughts and prayers continue to be with the family and friends of Officer George Cortez who made the ultimate sacrifice when he lost his life in the line of duty.

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