To: UMass Boston Community

From: Chief Donald Baynard

Date: June 5, 2018

Ref: UMass Boston Police Department Notice of Re-Accreditation Assessment

On November 1, 2015, the University of Massachusetts Boston (UMass Boston) Police Department became the sixty-third law enforcement agency within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to be awarded full accreditation by the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission (MPAC). This status was the result of building, enhancing, and strengthening the Department’s standards of practice and the professional performance of its personnel. Now, I am very pleased to announce that a team of assessors from the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission is scheduled to arrive on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, to begin examining various aspects of the UMass Boston Police Department’s policies and procedures, continuity of operations and facility for re-accreditation.

The Massachusetts Police Accreditation Program is a self-initiated evaluation process by which police departments strive to meet and maintain established standards for the profession, by the profession. In order for the UMass Boston Police Department (UMBPD) to remain in compliance with the Commission’s standards, and continue to be an accredited law enforcement agency, the Department must meet all 257 mandatory standards as well as 69 of the Commission’s 125 optional standards. As part of the process to assure the Department remains in compliance, the Assessment Team will evaluate the Department’s policies and procedures, continuity of operations and facility to verify the Department meets the Commission’s Standards for re-accreditation.

Achieving accreditation is a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence. Anyone interested in learning more about this program, please contact me at donald.baynard@umb.edu or Lieutenant Clara Molina, UMBPD’s Accreditation Manager, at clara.molina@umb.edu

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Donald D. Baynard
Chief of Police