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Greetings fellow Iowa State Police Association (ISPA) members. I want to take this opportunity to thank the ISPA membership for recently electing me to the ISPA board as a Junior Director at the 2023 ISPA Conference in Iowa City. As a recently elected ISPA board member, I would like to introduce myself and share a little bit about me.

I was born and raised in Iowa, spending most of my childhood in Dike. Having a father in state law enforcement meant we moved around the state a bit during my elementary years, but we landed back in Dike where I graduated from Dike-New Hartford High School in 1998. After high school, I attended Mount Mercy College in Cedar Rapids, graduating in 2002 with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, psychology, and sociology.

In 2003 I was hired as a police officer with the Cedar Rapids Police Department, where I remain today. During my 20 years with Cedar Rapids, I have had the opportunity to work as both an officer and supervisor in our Patrol Division, in our Investigative Division as a supervisor for our night investigations unit, and in Administration as the Research and Professional Development sergeant. I have also served as a member of our Special Response Team, the commander of our Crisis Negotiation Team, a member of our Crisis Intervention Team, as well as an academy instructor. I have served as a board member of our Cedar Rapids Police Protective Association, and a board member of our Cedar Rapids Bars & Stripes Association. I was recently promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in September 2023, and I am back working in the Patrol Division as the Evening Shift supervisor.

I have been married to my wife Jackie for 13 years, and we have three children. Jackie has been a Public Safety Dispatcher with the City of Cedar Rapids for almost 22 years. As a family we enjoy traveling together, camping trips, spending time with friends or our extended families, and all things Hawkeye sports. In my free time I enjoy staying active, especially running, cycling, and snow skiing.

I am thankful for the opportunity to serve our members on the ISPA board and look forward to the challenges ahead. I am passionate about the issues that need our attention, and I am eager to advocate on behalf of our membership.

Please reach out if you need anything and stay safe.