


TO: Mayor Jeffery D. Schielke

FROM: Daniel M. Eul, Chief of Police 

DATE: August 19, 2021

RE: **Oath of Office for Sergeant Michelle Langston**

Please consider placing on the agenda for the September 7, 2021 meeting of the City Council the issuance of oath of office to newly promoted Batavia Police Sergeant Michelle Langston.

Michelle Langston has recently been selected by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to fill the vacancy within the sergeant's rank created by the appointment of Eric Blowers to the rank of Deputy Chief. Sergeant Langston's promotion was effective as of August 17, 2021.

Michelle joined the Batavia Police Department in 2008 and has served in a variety of roles during her tenure with the Department, including: Patrol Officer, Detective, Patrol Officer-in-Charge (OIC) and Investigations Unit Officer-in-Charge. She has also served as a Senior Range Instructor in the Department's Marksmanship Unit, teaching pistol tactics. She has earned designation as a Master Firearms Instructor from the Police Training Institute in Urbana-Champaign and recognition as a Master Patrol Officer with the Batavia Police Department. Michelle also serves as one of the Department's public information officers and is a trained elderly services officer.

Michelle comes from a long line of law enforcement professionals. Numerous members of her family have or are currently serving as law enforcement officers. Notably, her father Michael Langston, a retired police commander from the Aurora Police Department, her brother Gary, also an Aurora police officer, and her husband Chris, currently a Kane County Sheriff's deputy.

She is a graduate of Bellarmine University with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration, where she served on the student council and as president during her senior year.

Sergeant Langston bears the distinction of being the first female officer to serve in the sworn supervisory ranks of the Batavia Police Department.

She is currently assigned as a field supervisor within the Department's Patrol Division.