

## Town of Riverdale Park

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**Press Release** 

## January 11, 2008 Town of Riverdale Park Appoints Police Chief

Riverdale Park, Maryland- Mayor Vernon Archer today announced the recent appointment of Teresa C. Chambers as Chief of the Riverdale Park Police Department.

"I was very pleased to be able to nominate Teresa Chambers to be our new Police Chief," said Mayor Archer who administered the oath of office on Thursday evening, (January 10, 2008). "I am excited about working with our new chief. She brings a fantastic background that will help Riverdale Park see its police force move from the strong and respected force it already is to a municipal police force that will be second to none. She joins the rest of the town government in commitment to making Riverdale Park a safe, clean, and beautiful place."

Town Administrator, Patrick J. Prangley, stated that "Chief Teresa C. Chambers is a nationally recognized police executive who is well respected. Chief Chambers brings to our top-notched police department a vast experience in community based law enforcement initiatives. We welcome her strong leadership and innovative solutions in law enforcement. We look forward to her contributions for the betterment of the Riverdale Park Community."

Chief Chambers stated that "It is an honor to have been selected to work with the Town of Riverdale Park and its Police Department as the Chief of Police. This is a great community that places the highest of priorities on quality of life and safety for its residents, business community, and visitors; and I am excited about being a part of that commitment."

Chambers comes to the Town of Riverdale Park with nearly three decades of law enforcement experience. Following her retirement from an extensive career with the Prince George's County (Maryland) Police Department, Chief Chambers served as the Chief of Police for Durham, North Carolina, and then as Chief of the United States Park Police.

Chambers brings strong academic credentials to the job, having received a Bachelor's Degree in Law Enforcement / Criminology from the University of Maryland University College and a Master's Degree in Applied Behavioral Science with a Concentration in Community Development from The Johns Hopkins University. Chambers is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy and the FBI's prestigious National Executive Institute.

The Town of Riverdale Park residents and staff welcome Chief Teresa C. Chambers and look forward to working with her.

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