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Andrea M. Perry appointed as city's new Safety Director

CANTON, Ohio – Mayor William J. Healy II has appointed Andrea M. Perry as the city's new Safety Director effective September 1, 2013. Perry has been serving at a Cabinet-level position as Director of Compliance and Personnel for the city since July of 2011, and as Acting Safety Director over the past few months.

Her experience in Human Resources spans sixteen years, and includes both the public and private sectors. She has held the positions of General Manager of Administrative Services for the City of Cleveland working under former Mayor Michael White, Senior Organizational Advancement Analyst for The Timken Company, and most recently the State of Ohio.

Ms. Perry is a native Cantonian. She received a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management from Malone University and a Master of Business Administration Degree from Ashland University. Her professional affiliations include Society for Human Resource Managers (SHRM), National Black MBA Association, Pro Football Hall of Fame Festivities/Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce Committees, Stark County Minority Business Association, Stark County Human Resource Association, Canton Symphony, and Project Rebuild. She is also the recipient of the 1st Annual 2012 Stark County Contemporary Trailblazer.

Ms. Perry will formally step into this position on September 1, 2013, following the resignation of Warren Price, who served the city in many capacities since 2009, including Director of Public Service, Chief of Staff, Annexation, and Director of Public Safety.

"Warren Price helped move Canton forward during some of the most difficult times in the city's history, and I wish him well in his future endeavors," stated Healy.

Perry was sworn in today since her official duties will begin over the holiday weekend. "I am very excited for Ms. Perry to take on this position. She has done an outstanding job in her previous roles, and I am certain she will continue to be an instrumental member of my Cabinet. I am also proud to be a part of history in our Great City with the opportunity of appointing the first female Director of Public Safety in Canton," said Healy.

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