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CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL ACHIEVES FIFTH CONSECUTIVE CALEA ACCREDITATION

SACRAMENTO– The California Highway Patrol (CHP) proudly announces the renewal of its Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) Law Enforcement Accreditation, effective November 16, 2024. This marks the CHP's fifth consecutive accreditation, underscoring its commitment to excellence in law enforcement practices.

The CALEA accreditation is an internationally recognized standard of excellence that establishes guidelines for the effective and efficient operation of law enforcement agencies. The renewal signifies CHP's dedication to professionalism, accountability and continuous improvement in serving and protecting California's communities.

"This prestigious recognition highlights the CHP's commitment to upholding the highest standards of professionalism and excellence in law enforcement practices," said CHP Commissioner Sean Duryee. "The CHP remains steadfast in our mission to ensure the safety and security of all Californians, and this accreditation further solidifies our position as a leader in law enforcement."

The CHP initially earned accreditation under CALEA's Advanced Law Enforcement Accreditation Program in 2010. Since then, the CHP has maintained its status as the largest CALEA-accredited law enforcement agency west of the Mississippi River and third largest nationally.

The accreditation process involves a rigorous review of law enforcement policies, procedures and operations. It also requires the agency to present annual reports demonstrating adherence to established standards throughout a four-year

accreditation cycle.

CALEA's programs extend beyond general law enforcement to include specialized accreditation for training academies and communication agencies, further reflecting the CHP's comprehensive approach to public safety.

The CHP's mission is to provide the highest level of Safety, Service, and Security to the people of California. This achievement reaffirms its dedication to that mission and its role as a nationwide model for law enforcement agencies.

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