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Public Service Announcement

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Police Department to Hold Police Academy Graduation Tomorrow

On Tuesday, July 25, 2017, the Durham Police Department (DPD) will hold graduation exercises for Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) academy class #45, as well as graduates of Advanced Law Enforcement Training (ALET) academy class #17. The program is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. at the Durham Convention Center, 301 W. Morgan Street. The featured keynote speaker for the program is Representative Marcia Morey, former Durham County chief district judge, who was appointed to the NC House of Representatives in April 2017. The community is invited to attend the graduation.

The 17-member graduating class of BLET #45 includes 16 males and one female. One of the BLET graduates is sponsored by the City of Roxboro Police Department and will officially join that agency’s ranks upon graduation. Area law enforcement agencies often partner with the Durham Police Department to train their new recruits as DPD runs one of the most rigorous police academies in North Carolina – requiring 300 training hours beyond state mandates.

In addition, there are six graduates of ALET #17. This is the first year since 2011 DPD has operated an ALET academy which engages officers who have already attained basic law enforcement certification.

Collectively officers of both graduating classes reflect the following demographics:

African American:	5
Caucasian:	16
Hispanic:	2
Other:	0
Associate’s Degree:	5
Bachelor’s Degree:	9
Master’s Degree:	1
North Carolina:	4
Durham:	1
Family Law Enforcement:	1
Durham Police Officer:	1
Youngest:	21 years old
Oldest:	34 years old
Under 25:	9
Under 30:	11
Over 30:	1

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