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The Haledon Police Department Mourns the Tragic Loss of Passaic County Sheriff Richard H. Berdnik and Stands in Solidarity with the Passaic County Sheriff's Office

HALEDON, NJ - On behalf of Chief of Police Angelo J. Daniele and Deputy Chief of Police George Guzman, Jr., in light of the devastating loss of our dear friend, Passaic County Sheriff Richard H. Berdnik, the members of the Haledon Police Department extend their deepest condolences to his family, colleagues, and the fine women and men of the Passaic County Sheriff's Office. Our thoughts and prayers are with all who have been touched by Sheriff Berdnik's four (4) decades of unwavering dedication to public service.

The Haledon Police Department deeply values our partnership with the Passaic County Sheriff's Office, and we offer their agency our steadfast support during this challenging time. Furthermore, we urge the members of the Passaic County Sheriff's Office to stand united, particularly now more than ever. We genuinely hope that this tragic loss serves as a powerful reminder for our law enforcement community about the critical importance of cherishing and valuing each other.

Amidst this solemn period, we stand in profound solidarity with the Passaic County Sheriff's Office and law enforcement agencies across the nation in acknowledging the concerning epidemic of Blue Suicide. It is essential that we raise awareness and provide support to those who tirelessly serve and protect our beloved communities. If you or someone you know is struggling, please know that help is available. You may always reach out to Cop2Cop (866.267.2267), National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 800.273.8255 (988), or text "BLUE" to 741741.

Given the gravity of the situation, the Haledon Police Department has activated its Chaplain Program Service, who are always available to demonstrate support, an open heart, and a listening ear to all who may need it.

As we mourn the loss of Sheriff Berdnik, Mayor Michael Johnson has ordered all borough flags lowered to half-staff in his honor, reflecting the profound respect and gratitude we hold for his steadfast friendship to our borough community.

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