

**ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR NO. 2002-32**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING AND
HONORING SENIOR PATROL OFFICER DAVID W. ROCHFORD FOR NEARLY 21
YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE ANCHORAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, David W. Rochford was hired by the Anchorage Police Department on July 20, 1981; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, he worked in both the Patrol and Traffic Divisions within the Department, was selected to participate on Traffic Accident Investigation Team and on Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Team; and

WHEREAS, the community expresses appreciation to Senior Patrol Officer Rochford for his role in assisting in the safety and protection of the citizens of Anchorage; and


WHEREAS, after nearly 21 years of service, Senior Patrol Officer Rochford will retire from the line of duty on February 1, 2002 to pursue other endeavors.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Municipal Assembly resolves that:


DAVID W. ROCHFORD

is recognized and honored for his nearly 21 years of service to the Anchorage Police Department and the citizens of Anchorage upon his retirement.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 29th day of January, 2002.


Chair

ATTEST:


Municipal Clerk

Submitted by: Assemblymembers Clementson, Fairclough, Kendall, Shamborg, Sullivan, Taylor, Tesche, Traini, Tremaine, Van Etten, and Von Gemmingen





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Our Mission is to stop drunk driving, support the victims of this violent crime and prevent underage drinking

January, 2004

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Staff and Members of the Anchorage Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, I am writing to commend former Anchorage Police Officer Dave Rochford for his commitment to the enforcement of drunk driving laws.

As a Patrol Officer, Traffic Enforcement Officer, and DUI/SFST/Breath Test Instructor with the Anchorage Police Training Center, Officer Rochford dedicated himself beyond the call of duty in his commitment to the safety of the community he served. Officer Rochford additionally was qualified as a Police Instructor for Accident Investigation, and application of both laser and radar enforcement equipment.


During his tenure with the Anchorage Police Department for a period of several years, Officer Rochford was the only officer qualified to process DUI Drug case through prosecution. Officer Rochford served as one of two officers qualified as Expert Witnesses on DWI/DUI cases in the Anchorage courts.

During times of budget cuts and constraints, Officer Rochford invested his personal time and money to attend several Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) training conferences and schools, increasing his personal value and commitment to the Anchorage Police Department and to the Anchorage community.

Officer Rochford proved his commitment to personal and professional high ethics and standards during times when political pressure or budget constraints pushed for ever-decreasing resources for traffic and drunk driving enforcement and prosecution. Officer Rochford did not compromise his commitment to stopping drunk driving.

Officer Rochford supported MADD's mission *To Stop Drunk Driving, Support Victims of This Violent Crime and To Prevent Underage Drinking* and that support has been greatly appreciated.

MADD wishes Officer Rochford the best in his retirement from the Anchorage Police Department and in all future endeavors.


Marti Greeson
Executive Director
MADD Anchorage Chapter



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Walt Monegan
Chief

January 27, 2002

To Whom It May Concern,

I have been employed at the Anchorage Police Department since September, 1986. Prior to that, I was a Federal Law Enforcement Officer for 2 ½ years. I have been a supervisor, Sergeant for the past three years.

I have had the opportunity to work with and supervise David Rochford for most of my tenure at the Anchorage Police Department. Dave is a very skilled police officer and had served as a police officer in California, previously. Dave Rochford is extremely knowledgeable and highly educated in the areas of traffic law enforcement, traffic accident investigations, accident reconstruction and vehicle inspections (post accident serious injury/fatal).

I have personally consulted with Dave over the years, seeking detailed guidance and advice reference the Municipal and State Traffic Code(s), DWI and traffic accident/incident(s). I believe Dave Rochford to be an "Expert" in the areas of Traffic Accident Reconstruction, Radar and the laws pertaining to these areas.

Further, Dave has assisted with numerous serious traffic accident(s), fatal accident(s) and as such served as the lead and/or follow-up investigator. I am aware that our (currently) two Fatal Accident Investigators request assistance and/or guidance from Officer Rochford on a consistent basis. Dave is an accomplished investigator, and is often called upon to investigate the more complicated and difficult cases.

I am aware of numerous training classes/seminars that Dave has attended and/or taught. Dave keeps a detailed record of such classes. Dave Rochford is a tremendous asset to this department and community. His retirement, though well earned and deserved will have a huge impact on our department. Stating this, I highly recommend Dave Rochford.

Sincerely,

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December 9, 2003

To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to provide this reference for retired Anchorage police officer Dave Rochford. Dave's retirement to Coeur d'Alene has left a vacuum at our Department that is not easy to fill.

In addition to his broad based patrol knowledge, Dave specialized in traffic law enforcement, DUI apprehension, and accident reconstruction. He was continually the standard to which other officers measured their traffic enforcement efforts.

Dave was a well-respected instructor in both Academy and incumbent training venues. He was nationally recognized by Northwestern University as an accident reconstructionist, and his ability to impart his technical knowledge in the field and in the classroom was always professional and effective.

If I can be of any assistance as you assess Dave's qualifications and potential to be a part of your team, please do not hesitate to call me at (907) 786-8595.

Sincerely,

Walt Monegan
Chief