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To the Citizens of Oxford,

I would like to thank you for your continued support of the Oxford Police Department. Our number one objective is to continue making the Town of Oxford a safe place to live and be there for you when you need us. We are very fortunate to be fully staffed at this time as there is a shortage of police officers both, statewide and nationwide. We are proud to announce that Officer Dominick Carll recently graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy with high honors. We also recently hired full-time officers Andre Chasse, Joe Correia, and Eric Lowell along with reserve officers Harry Sims, Gavin Booker, James Ambrose, and Shayne Correia.

The year 2021 was the busiest year so far for the Oxford Police Department. We handled a total of 4357 police calls. Some of the more notable calls for service were 250 accidents (one fatal), 283 traffic offenses, 276 suspicious conditions, 151 disorderly subjects, and 72 scam calls. We also responded to 58 drug type calls including five overdoses, one of them, unfortunately, resulted in a death. The officers wrote 141 warnings, 109 citations and stopped a total of 250 vehicles for the year.

The School Resource Officer, Officer Steven Cronce, has been very successful working with the students in our schools. He has developed many positive relationships and will be teaching the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program, a program that teaches students to make positive choices in life. D.A.R.E. has been a successful program in our community for several years.

I am retiring on June 2 of this year, after a career that spans nearly 35 years in law enforcement. I want to thank you again for your support and the opportunity to serve you. Over my career, I have seen many changes. I am leaving you in good hands as we are very fortunate to have a great group of police officers who currently work for the Town of Oxford Police Department.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Ward
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