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"Hard work pays off": Norfolk County Sheriff Patrick W. McDermott celebrates the swearing in of 14 new correctional officers at the historic Endicott Estate

Dedham, MA – Norfolk County Sheriff Patrick W. McDermott is proud to announce the graduation of fourteen new correctional officers from the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office Training Academy.

The officers from NSO 24-02 were celebrated in a ceremony held Thursday, January 30th, at the historic Endicott Estate in Dedham, where they were joined by dozens of their proud families and friends.

"I take great pride in the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office," said Sheriff McDermott. "Our excellence stems from the quality and measure of the men and women who work here, and in their commitment to the public safety needs of the people of Norfolk County."

The theme of this training academy was "Accountability Matters."

"What each of these officers brings to this career will be amplified by the training and skills they have all received in our rigorous and demanding academy," said Sheriff McDermott. "Their determination and diligence should be recognized and I am excited to welcome them into our ranks."

Sheriff McDermott also offered high praise for his academy training staff, which is led by its Commander Captain Francis Reynolds.

"Their hard work pays off by creating a correctional facility that is second to none," said Sheriff McDermott.

NSO 24-02 Academy Class Leader Ryan Boretti spoke on behalf of the class and thanked the academy's instructors.

"We've face challenges, both physical and mental and emerged stronger because of them," said Officer Boretti. "Most importantly we've learned that true success in this profession comes from our integrity, our compassion and our unwavering dedication to doing what's right."

The new Norfolk County Sheriff's officers are:

- -Officer Upul Bandara
- -Officer Ryan Boretti
- -Officer David Borges
- -Officer Shawn Closson
- -Officer Paul Crowley
- -Officer Benjamin Cunningham
- -Officer Kendall Fitzgerald
- -Officer Michael Forde
- -Officer Carly Foye
- -Officer Thomas Gallagher
- -Officer Marc Perez
- -Officer Mikayla Spinale
- -Officer Owen Sullivan
- -Officer Benjamin Wines

The Norfolk County Sheriff's Office training academy staff consists of:

- -Commander Captain Francis Reynolds
- -Assistant Commander Lieutenant Todd DeBoer
- -Field Training Officer Ryan Howell
- -Fitness Instructor Officer Stevie Orton

Former American Idol finalist Ayla Brown was featured during the academy graduation, singing both The Star Spangled Banner, and God Bless America.

Members of the public who are interested in learning about becoming a Norfolk County Sheriff's Office correctional officer should visit the employment section of our website, norfolksheriff.com

Photos: Courtesy of the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office

- -Photo 1: Entrance to the Endicott Estate
- -Photo 2: Sheriff Patrick McDermott addresses academy graduates
- -Photo 3: Academy Class Leader Ryan Boretti and Sheriff Patrick McDermott
- -Photo 4: Sheriff Patrick McDermott recognizes the academy's instructors
- -Photo 5: Sheriff Patrick McDermott swears in the new officers
- -Photo 6: NSO 24-02 class photo (see below for names)

Front row, from left: Officer Thomas Gallagher, Officer Mikayla Spinale, Officer Carly Foye, Officer Marc Perez, Officer Benjamin Cunningham, Officer Kendall Fitzgerald, Officer Upul Bandara

Back row, from left: Asst. Superintendent Thomas Brady, Asst. Academy Commander Lt. Todd DeBoer, Asst. Dep. Superintendent Bob Russo, Academy Commander Capt. Francis Reynolds, Officer Michael Forde, Officer Benjamin Wines, Officer David Borges, Officer Ryan Boretti, Officer Paul Crowley, Officer Owen Sullivan, Officer Shawn Closson, Fitness instructor Officer Stevie Orton, Sheriff Patrick W. McDermott, Special Sheriff Christopher Bell, Superintendent Michael Harris, and Field Training Officer Ryan Howell.