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[Duluth, MN] Mayor Emily Larson announces appointment of interim Chief of Police, Deputy Chief Laura Marquardt.

Deputy Chief Marquardt has served in the Duluth Police Department for 27 years, most recently overseeing the Administrative Division of the Police Department.

“I am honored to be asked to serve in this capacity and to lead this department as we transition to hiring a new Police Chief,” Marquardt said. “This department is overflowing with talented and dedicated individuals who serve our community every single day. I am incredibly grateful to be part of this innovative and collaborative team for the last 27 years. I am now humbled and excited to lead DPD in the way in which we are known: with compassion, trust, and respect for all who call Duluth home.”

“My thanks to Laura Marquardt for fulfilling this role,” Mayor Emily Larson said. “I have gotten to know Laura over the years. I value her ability to quickly step into this interim role at a time of importance to the Department and the City. As the hiring process unfolds I know we are in good hands.”

Deputy Chief Marquardt will replace Chief Mike Tusken on an interim basis effective Monday, August 1, 2022. Chief Tusken announced his retirement at a press conference on June 8, 2022 having served the department since 1992.

The Chief of Police job posting is open until July 31, 2022 and can be found at the following link:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/duluthmn/jobs/3605703/police-chief?pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

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