



CHAIRMAN'S MEMORANDUM

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TO: SHERIFFS, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS, COMMISSIONERS OF CORRECTION

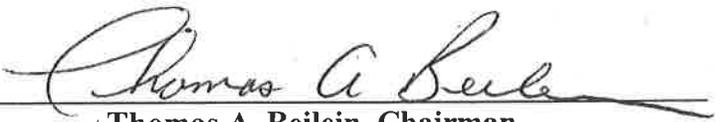
RE: Appointment of Commissioner Thomas J. Loughren

The State Commission of Correction is pleased to announce that Thomas J. Loughren of Chenango County was nominated as a Member of the State Commission of Correction by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo. He was unanimously confirmed by the New York State Senate on June 17, 2013 and was designated as Chairman of the Commission's Citizen's Policy and Complaint Review Council.

A native of Chenango County, Commissioner Loughren has been a police officer, criminal investigator and law enforcement executive for 40 years. He was first elected Sheriff of Chenango County in 1991 and reelected for four consecutive terms. He is a past president of the New York State Sheriffs' Association and served on the original New York State Counter Terrorism Committee from 2002 through 2009. He also served as a member of the New York State Law Enforcement Accreditation Council from 2002 to 2009 and the New York State 911 Board from 2003 to 2009.

Throughout his law enforcement career, Commissioner Loughren has been a leader in promoting coordination and cooperation between law enforcement agencies, fire departments and emergency medical services and was a pioneer in modernization of law enforcement and emergency services communication systems. He directed all law enforcement activities of patrol, K-9, snowmobile and marine navigation, investigations, SWAT, and public relations programs, as well as correction officers, school programs, mental health, medical, inmate work programs, commercial kitchen, and meals on wheels for seniors programs. As the Chenango County Sheriff, he oversaw the design and construction of a new 26 million dollar Sheriff's Office that included a 133 bed jail facility. His department was awarded New York State Accreditation in all of its four divisions. Commissioner Loughren holds a Bachelor of Science degree from McNeese State University, Lake Charles, Louisiana.

Please join me, Commissioner Harrison-Ross and the SCOC staff in welcoming Commissioner Loughren to his new post.


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