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***As Jersey City Police Department Grows, Promotion Ceremony to be Held to Increase Supervision & Diversity in Leadership  
New Supervisors to Increase Night & Weekend Supervision as well as Walking Post Supervision***

**What:**

As the Jersey City Police Department continues to grow, Mayor Fulop and the Chief of the Department will hold a promotions ceremony tomorrow to both increase officer supervision as well as diversity within leadership of the department. Specifically, the promotions will allow for increased supervision at night and on weekends, as well as designated supervision for the department's walking posts. Increased supervision is an important component of President Obama's 21st century policing plan.

Under Mayor Fulop, the Police Department has grown from approximately 770 officers to 864 officers, with three new classes being added this summer. In addition to growing the department, Mayor Fulop has made it a priority to diversify the department to better reflect the community. As a result, the latest classes of officers hired over the past three years have reflected a greater diversity, with nearly 70 percent of the new hires being minorities. That number is expected to increase even more with the new state police hiring test, for which applications are currently open.

The new supervisors to be promoted include: two Hispanic lieutenants (one male and one female), one African-American sergeant (female), four Hispanic sergeants (males), one Asian sergeant (male), and two Caucasian female sergeants and one Caucasian captain.

In 2015, Mayor Fulop promoted the first African-American lieutenant in more than a decade – the highest-ranking African American in the Department – as well as the Department's first Pakistani Muslim Sergeant. Under Mayor Fulop, Jersey City was also the first city in the state to promote minority officers to the rank of sergeant following a U.S. Department of Justice Consent decree, with six African-American officers and three Hispanic officers promoted to the rank of sergeant.

**When:**

Tuesday, July 12th, at 2 p.m.

**Where:**

City Hall Council Chambers, 280 Grove Street

**Who:**

Jersey City Mayor Steven M. Fulop  
Jersey City Municipal Council members  
Police Chief Philip Zacche

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