## **OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF**



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ERIC SEVERSON, Sheriff

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I have extended an employment offer to Mr. Joseph Mensah, which he accepted, for the position of Deputy Sheriff. Mr. Mensah progressed through an extensive, thorough and exhaustive hiring process.

While some have expressed concerns about Mr. Mensah's past uses of force, I assembled a team who exhaustively reviewed Mr. Mensah's previous work history. I have concluded along with Milwaukee DA, Wauwatosa PD, Milwaukee PD, as well as an independent investigation conducted by Wauwatosa Police and Fire commission that Mr. Mensah's use of force was consistent with the Federal and State laws, Wisconsin training and uniformily applied police policy. This is consistant with all other investigations.

Mr. Mensah will enter a supervised field training program where he will be afforded the same opportunities as every other Deputy working for the Waukesha County Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff Eric Severson Waukesha County Sheriff's Office

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