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CHAMBLEE CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDS CHIEF KERRY THOMAS OF SAVANNAH
POLICE DEPARTMENT AS NEW CHIEF OF POLICE

October 10, 2018—Chamblee City Manager Jon Walker recommended Chief Kerry Thomas, assistant chief of police at the Savannah Police Department, for appointment as the City of Chamblee's new police chief. With more than 30 years of experience on Savannah's Police Department, Chief Thomas' experience includes working patrol, being a certified forensic technician and latent examiner, criminal investigator, patrol sergeant, lieutenant, captain, major and assistant chief.

"We received 48 applications for the position of chief of police. Applications were received from 13 states, but the majority of candidates hailed from Georgia," says Walker. "Based on resumes, references and interviews, I recommend Chief Thomas for appointment as the next Chief of Police for the City of Chamblee. City staff also were impressed by Chief Thomas' experience and attitude. He projected a calm demeanor, expressed a great depth of knowledge and offered a methodical and results oriented approach to policing."

Chief Thomas has served as the assistant chief of field operations for the Savannah Police Department since 2017. There, he reduced crime and established sound legal policy and procedures. He joined the Savannah Police Department in 1988 after previously serving three years in the United States Army.

Chief Thomas' appointment will go before the mayor and council for confirmation. He will begin his duties in Chamblee in mid November.

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Located just 14 miles from downtown Atlanta, Chamblee is a vibrant urban city with a diverse community and international flair. The City of Chamblee began as a small rail town and was incorporated in 1908. It has grown to more than seven square miles and nearly 30,000 residents. Chamblee is home to a heavy rail MARTA station, a historic downtown and Antique Row, the vibrant Buford Highway Corridor, DeKalb-Peachtree Airport (PDK), the Centers for Disease Control and a thriving business community with a unique sense of entrepreneurship and optimism. Visit www.chambleega.gov for more information.