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KENTON COUNTY SHERIFF: CHARLES L. "CHUCK" KORZENBORN RETIREMENT

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A Letter to the Citizens of Kenton County:

For more than twenty-six (26) years it has been the honor of my life to serve as your Kenton County Sheriff. Since first taking office, I have worked every day to uphold the trust you placed in me, to safeguard our communities, the courts, and to ensure that this office is known for integrity and professionalism.

During my tenure, our team has built a Sheriff's Office that is recognized across the Commonwealth of Kentucky. I have never taken your confidence for granted and have been grateful for the deputies and staff who have stood shoulder-to-shoulder with me.

The past year has also been a deeply personal one. With the recent passing of my beloved wife, Ruth, my partner in life for 62 years, I have spent much time in reflection. Ruth devoted her life to our family and to serving others and her loss has reminded me that there is a season for every part of life, including public service.

After careful consideration, I am announcing that I will be retiring and stepping down as Kenton County Sheriff, effective December 31, 2025.

This decision was not made lightly. I remain confident in the dedicated men and women of the Kenton County Sheriff's Office and in the future of our county. I also believe that leadership must be intentional about preparing the next generation to carry the work forward.

For that reason, I want to share with you the person I believe is best prepared to serve as your next Sheriff.

I am formally endorsing Jude Hehman, current Mayor of the City of Fort Mitchell, as my choice to succeed me as Kenton County Sheriff.

I have known Mayor Hehman for many years. I've known his family for over 75 years. I have watched Jude lead Fort Mitchell with transparency, common sense, and with a strong commitment to public safety. I am confident he will continue the traditions and success that we have built with the Kenton County Sheriff's Office.

Thank you for the privilege of allowing me to serve as your Sheriff. Thank you for your support, your prayers, and your partnership over so many years. I will remain forever grateful for the opportunity to serve this county that Ruth and I have proudly called home.

With sincere appreciation,

Charles L. "Chuck" Korzenborn

Kenton County Sheriff