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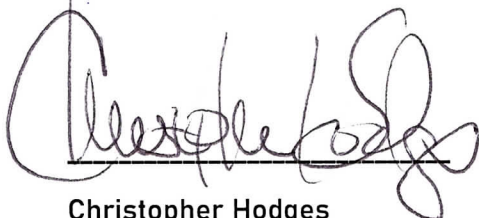
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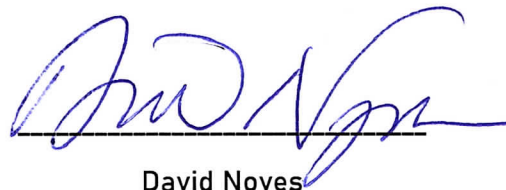
From the Director of Public Safety and the Chief of Police of Waterville Valley

With regard to the George Floyd in-custody death in Minneapolis, we are dismayed and deeply troubled by what occurred. The actions and inaction of the officers in Minneapolis, as shown in the video, are wholly inconsistent with the culture, training, and values we instill and promote to our officers in Waterville Valley. There is no justification for the actions of the now former officer, nor for the failure of the other officers at the scene to intervene, that resulted in Mr. Floyd's tragic death. In addition, their actions and inaction not only violate criminal laws, but also our Law Enforcement Oath of Honor, our Law Enforcement Code of Ethics, and the Constitution they are sworn to uphold.

Our organization values the sanctity of human life and the importance of treating all persons with dignity and respect and this act was none of that. As a profession, we are sworn to protect our communities and all of those within. Please know that your police department is committed to keeping Waterville Valley safe in partnership with our fellow community members.



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