Media Release
Celebrating Women in Policing throughout May

As we approach the month of May, during which many countries across the globe celebrate ‘Mother’s Day’, we are delighted to be celebrating the achievements of women officers, with caring responsibilities, alongside our corporate partner Axon, the global leader in connected law enforcement technologies. As part of IAWP and Axon’s joint commitment to promoting the role of women in policing we will be sharing stories of those who have inspired us by combining a successful career in policing with having family and caring responsibilities.

IAWP 1st Vice President, Debbie Friedl, herself a mother of a young daughter, as well as deputy chief of Lowell Police Department, Massachusetts, U.S.A., “There are many challenges to balancing the role of motherhood with being a police officer, but the rewards of balancing both roles are immense. Being a mother has not diminished my passion or commitment to policing, in many ways it has enhanced it as I work to ensure a safe and secure society for my daughter, and all children, to grow up in. One that values women’s contributions, so she can develop her full potential, removing any barriers put in her way”.

Follow us on twitter @iawpinfo, @Axon_EMEA, @Axon_APAC, Axon_US and Axon_Canada as we announce a number of inspiring women throughout the month of May. They will share their stories, their challenges and successes, in combining family and policing responsibilities and we hope you will support us by sharing their stories by re-tweeting our posts. We would also love to hear your story as well!!

About the International Association of Women Police

The International Association of Women Police (IAWP) is a richly diverse and growing organization with global reach. We have Members, Affiliates, Friends and Strategic Partners in countries around the World.

Our Mission: To strengthen, unite and raise the capacity of women in policing internationally.

Our Vision: IAWP envisions a world where police reflect the diversity of communities they serve and human rights are protected. Our mission is to strengthen and raise the capacity of women in policing internationally.

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- **In the field** - Our Conducted Electrical Devices offer a less-lethal intermediate use of force response and our body-worn and in-car cameras collect video evidence to capture the truth of an incident; and our mobile applications enable simple evidence collection.
- **At the station** - Our secure, cloud-based digital evidence management solution allows officers and command staff to manage, review, share, and process digital evidence using forensic, redaction, transcription, and other tools.
- **In the courtroom** - Our solutions for prosecutors make collaborating across jurisdictions and agencies easy so that cases can be resolved quickly.

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