STATEMENT OF PRESIDENT DARYL TURNER

Throughout this process, the PPA's primary goal has been to advocate for, preserve, and protect our members' collective bargaining rights. We have listened to our members, closely reviewed the terms of the settlement agreement between the United States and the City, and worked very hard with both parties through the mediation process to find a way to resolve our objections.

The mediation process has worked. We are moving on a path forward to finalize an agreement with United States and the City—a path that will address our collective bargaining objections; a path that preserves the rights of our members; a path that allows Portland Police Officers to continue to provide the high quality of service that makes Portland one of the safest and most livable cities in America.

In the weeks to come, we will be diligently working to finalize our agreement with the United States. Another key step in this process will be finalizing our collective bargaining agreement with the City in the coming weeks. Once these key pieces are finalized, we will be withdrawing our objections to the entry of the Proposed DOJ Settlement Agreement.

I want to thank the United States, the City, and their representatives for their hard work, their professionalism and for respecting the collective bargaining rights of our members. Finally, I want to thank our members, the rank and file of the Portland Police Bureau; your dedication, hard work, and compassion makes this one of the finest police departments in the nation.