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FAYETTE COUNTY SHERIFF NAMED TO STATE CRIME COMMISSION

Uniontown, PA – Fayette County Sheriff James Custer has been appointed to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD).

PCCD provides leadership in system-wide coordination and building collaboration among public servants and private citizens representing all aspects of the criminal and juvenile justice systems and victim services. Its mission is to enhance the quality, coordination and planning within the criminal and juvenile justice systems, to facilitate the delivery of services to crime victims and to increase community safety.

Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Wolf selected Custer for the committee, with the latter taking his official oath of office in March. His four-year term expires in March 2026.

"After serving in law enforcement for over 32 years, it's an honor and special accomplishment for me personally to be appointed to the commission by the governor," Custer said. "This appointment will hopefully make a greater impact and expand my role as sheriff here in Fayette County, due to PCCD's many resources and being able to network with other members that represent all areas of the criminal justice field."

Custer's responsibilities will include attending quarterly meetings and working with other committees and training boards. He said, while all PCCD meetings are currently virtual, in-person meetings may require him to travel to Harrisburg in the future.

Custer said he looks forward to serving on Pennsylvania's leading "justice-planning and policy-making agency,"

"PCCD is specifically tasked with providing services to the victims of crime. They also assist in the field of prevention and treatment for those suffering from substance use disorders; and work with adult probation offices and mental health agencies, to name a few," Custer said. "The commission also sponsors many grant opportunities to assist with funding-related projects. This just begins to scratch the surface as to how PCCD helps so many Pennsylvanians."

For more information on the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, visit www.pccd.pa.gov.

For more information about Fayette County, visit www.FayetteCountyPA.org.

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