

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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# **10<sup>TH</sup> PRECINCT BACK BY THE POPULAR DEMAND OFFICERS READY TO REPORT FOR DUTY**

**DETROIT** – Police Chief James R. Barren announces the ***Grand Re-Opening of the Detroit Police Department's 10<sup>th</sup> Precinct*** on *Monday, February 2, 2009 at noon*. Residents, business leaders and precinct personnel will join Mayor Kenneth V. Cockrel, Jr. and Chief Barren at the official ribbon cutting ceremony and press conference inside of the lobby of the precinct building. Following budget cuts that threatened hundreds of police jobs in 2005, the Detroit Police Department consolidated its twelve police precincts into six district stations. Since then, residents have frequently voiced their disapproval of the Department moving to the unpopular district concept. Under the leadership of Mayor Cockrel, Chief Barren was provided the necessary resources to re-open the 10<sup>th</sup> precinct without hampering police response time or job losses. The move back to the precinct concept also works at strengthening relations between officers and citizens that they serve. Chief Barren also recently opened four new mini-stations within the city. The re-opening of additional precincts will be determined by fiscal and manpower feasibility.

The 10<sup>th</sup> precinct boundaries are as follows: North - Lyndon; South – W. Warren; East - Lodge Fwy; and West – Jefferies Fwy. Additionally, the Western District will be renamed the 12<sup>th</sup> Precinct and will remain located at 1441 W. Seven Mile.

***“Re-opening the 10<sup>th</sup> precinct reassures the residents that we are listening to their concerns and are continuously focusing on improving the quality of life for all,” said***

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**Chief Barren.** *“Our vision is to build a safer Detroit while providing professional service to the citizens of Detroit.”*

The Eastern, Northeastern, Central, Northwestern and Southwestern Districts will remain in their current capacities.

**WHAT:** Grand Re-Opening: Detroit Police Department's 10th Precinct

**WHEN:** Monday, February 2, 2009

**WHERE:** 12000 Livernois (same site as the former 10<sup>th</sup> Precinct)

**TIME:** 12:00 p.m.

*For further information, please contact the Office of Public Information at 313-596-2200*

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