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ACCREDITATION ASSESSMENT TEAM FOR TEMPLE CAMPUS SAFETY SERVICES/POLICE DEPARTMENT INVITES PUBLIC COMMENT

(Philadelphia) – Temple University Public Safety Executive Director Charles Leone announced today that a team of assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) will arrive Monday, June 5, 2017 to examine all aspects of the Temple University Department of Campus Safety Services’/Police Department’s policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services.

The on-site assessment and verification is part of a voluntary process to gain accreditation – a highly prized recognition of public safety professional excellence as measured by CALEA’s state-of-the-art standards, Leone said. As part of the assessment, agency personnel and community members are invited to offer comments at a public information session Tuesday, June 6, 2017, at 4p.m. The session will be conducted in the Campus Safety Services’/Police Department’s main conference room at 1101 West Montgomery Avenue on Temple’s Main Campus.

If an individual cannot attend the public information session but would like to provide comments to the assessment team, he/she may do so by calling 215-204-3218 on Tuesday, June 6, 2017, between 1p.m. – 3p.m.

Telephone comments as well as appearances at the public information session are each limited to 10 minutes and must address the agency’s ability to comply with CALEA standards. A copy of the standards is available at the Department of Campus Safety Services/Police Department. The local contact for CALEA is Manager Thelise Roberts, who can be reached at 215-204-2387.

People wishing to offer written comments about the Department of Campus Safety Services’/Police Department’s ability to meet the standards for accreditation are requested to write: Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA), 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320, Gainesville, Virginia 20155.

Accreditation is for three years, during which the agency must submit annual reports attesting to continued compliance with those standards under which it was initially accredited.

For more information about the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. call 703-352-4225 or email calea@calea.org.