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The San Francisco Police Department today mourns the passing of former Police Commission President Julius Turman. A distinguished labor and employment law attorney and former

assistant U.S. Attorney from the District of New Jersey, Commissioner Turman joined the San Francisco Police Commission in 2012, becoming Vice President in 2014 and President in 2016.

Throughout his tenure and in collaboration with community members and department stakeholders, Commissioner Turman and his fellow Commissioners worked diligently to strengthen relations between the SFPD and the public, revise and adopt Department General Orders governing department operations, and implement recommendations by the U.S. Department of Justice COPS Office. He served his final day as Commission President and member on May 4th, 2018.

"Commissioner Turman was a tremendously intelligent and compassionate man who cared deeply about this department," said San Francisco Police Chief William Scott. "He worked to help us increase trust and respect and was relentlessly focused on

bringing forth the best practices, policies and procedures to the San Francisco Police Department. We are grateful for his dedication and hard work and we extend our deepest condolences to his family."

"Julius was dedicated to breaking down barriers and building bridges between people," said Police Commission President Thomas Mazzucco. "In the weeks before his passing, he demonstrated strength and fortitude to ensure that the important work of the Police Commission would continue. Julius cared about the relationship between the SFPD and the people of our great city. He was a true San Franciscan and has earned the right to be called one of our finest."

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