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TO: Steuben County Residents  
RE: Police Reform Plan

Fellow Residents,

It is my pleasure to present to you the comprehensive draft of Steuben County's Police Reform Plan, as prescribed by Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 203. This planning effort has been a collaboration between Steuben County Sheriff's Office, the Cities of Corning and Hornell, Villages of Addison, Bath, Canisteo, Hammondsport, Painted Post and Wayland, and the Town of Cohocton. While this was an unexpected mandate from Albany, Steuben County responded with in the way we do best, which is working together.

It is important to note the leadership of Sheriff Jim Allard, Corning City Mayor Bill Boland, Corning City Manager Mark Ryckman, and the elected officials, appointed staff, and law enforcement within our county. In addition, this robust plan would not have been possible without the keen guidance and facilitation of Dawn White, Change Manager Leader for Corning, Inc. We are appreciative of all of their efforts.

In my view, our community is fortunate to have the dedicated and talented law enforcement professionals that serve our cities, villages, towns, and county. While I believe our residents are confident in their abilities and actions, engaging in this review has provided the opportunity to solicit feedback and identify areas for improvement.

It is critical that citizens have trust and confidence in governmental agencies, especially in the turbulent times we are facing. This plan is yet another tool for maintaining this confidence, in a transparent and thoughtful fashion.

Sincerely,

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