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## **Civilian Complaint Review Board Acting Chair Fred Davie Congratulates Council Member Donovan Richards on Appointment as Public Safety Committee Chair**

**New York, NY** – Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) Acting Chair Fred Davie issued the following statement today in response to Council Member Donovan Richards’ appointment to chair of the City Council’s Committee on Public Safety, which has jurisdiction over the CCRB:

“Congratulations to Council Member Richards. I look forward to working with the new Chair to continue improving police-community relations in all five boroughs. As the City of New York faces imminent changes in policing, continuing the dialogue between the CCRB and the Committee on Public Safety will be essential.

“Council Member Richards is committed to increasing police accountability, which he demonstrates through active membership in the Community Partners Initiative, opening his office to his constituents so they can file complaints of police misconduct to CCRB investigators.”

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*The New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) is the largest police oversight entity in the nation and is empowered to investigate, mediate, prosecute, and recommend disciplinary action for complaints alleging misconduct by NYPD officers. See NYC Charter § 440(c)(1). The agency's jurisdiction includes excessive and unnecessary force, abuse of authority, discourtesy, and use of offensive language. To further this mission, CCRB issues monthly, biannual, and special statistical and qualitative reports analyzing trends and recurring issues arising from the many thousands of civilian complaints it receives each year.*