



Fort Valley Police Department

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Dear City Manager LeMario Brown,

Please accept this letter as my formal resignation from the position of Chief of Police for the City of Fort Valley, effective July 18th, 2026

This decision comes in light of new opportunities that have emerged and after being informed that the Mayor and City Council wish to move the Police Department in a different direction. I appreciate the clarity conveyed through the City Manager that this decision is not the result of any wrongdoing on my part. I am grateful that my efforts in leading, strengthening, and transitioning the department have been recognized and appreciated, and I take great pride in the progress we have achieved together during my tenure.

It has been an honor to serve the citizens of Fort Valley. During my tenure, I have worked diligently to enhance public safety, strengthen departmental operations, and introduce new enforcement initiatives. Notably, the implementation of the Flock Camera System has contributed to improving our ability to protect the community and respond to incidents more effectively. I take pride in knowing that the department is in a stronger position today and that our efforts have helped improve the safety and well-being of our citizens.

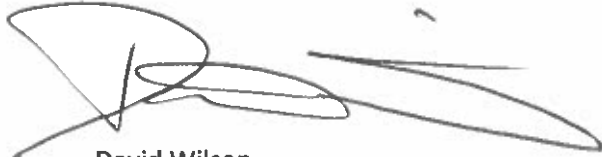
While I am disappointed that my leadership will not continue under this new direction, I respect the decision of the Mayor and City Council. Given these circumstances, I believe it is in the best interest of all parties for me to step aside at this time, allowing me to pursue broader career goals and explore the new opportunities that have recently presented themselves.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the officers, staff, and the community for their support throughout my service. I am also willing to assist with the transition process in any way necessary to ensure continuity within the department.

Following my resignation, I respectfully request to transition Back to Part-Time status at my prior rank of Captain with the Fort Valley Police Department so that I may continue serving the citizens and community of Fort Valley in a supporting role.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as Chief of Police. I remain committed to the safety and success of this community.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Wilson', written over a horizontal line.

David Wilson
Chief of Police
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