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PATRICK-MURRAY ADMINISTRATION HONORS FIRST MASSACHUSETTS STATE POLICE ACADEMY GRADUATING CLASS SINCE 2006

Celebrates largest and most highly trained graduating class in the history of the State Police



Governor Deval Patrick, Lieutenant Governor Timothy Murray, Public Safety Secretary Mary Beth Heffernan and Colonel Marian McGovern welcomed the 80th Recruit Training Troop to the ranks of the Massachusetts State Police. (Photo credit: Eric Haynes / Governor's Office). [View additional photos.](#)

BOSTON – Friday, March 9, 2012 -- Governor Deval Patrick, Lieutenant Governor Timothy Murray, Public Safety Secretary Mary Beth Heffernan and Colonel Marian McGovern today welcomed the 80th Recruit Training Troop to the ranks of the Massachusetts State Police. The 208 trainees were appointed to the rank of trooper at their State Police Academy Graduation Ceremony at the DCU Center in Worcester. The new class of troopers was made possible by unwavering support from the Patrick-Murray Administration and members of the Legislature. After inspecting the troops, Governor Patrick addressed the graduates and administered the oath to the troopers.

"These graduates hold the honor of being the largest, most highly trained class the academy has ever produced, and the first in over five years," said Governor Patrick. "I am pleased that we were able to secure the resources to make this happen for the State Police class, which includes some of the bravest, strongest and smartest citizens from every corner of the Commonwealth.

This graduation ceremony is particularly significant because this is the largest graduating class in the history of the Massachusetts State Police and the first class since 2006. This class includes former police officers, firefighters, attorneys, health care professionals, military sergeants, business professionals and teachers.

"The 80th Recruit Training Troop represents a unique class of hard working men and women, who have endured significant academic and physical training to achieve this accomplishment," said Lieutenant Governor Murray. "The class includes almost a majority of veterans, some of which have served most recently in Iraq and Afghanistan. I am proud to join the Governor in honoring all members of this class as they move forward to work together and protect communities across our Commonwealth."

Of those graduating troopers, 103 are veterans and of those, 80 veteran graduates served tours of duty in Afghanistan, Iraq or both. These graduates have received the highest level of training ever offered to members of the department, which began in mid-October and lasted 21 weeks. Training curriculum included classroom study, physical training, defensive tactics and real-world law enforcement scenarios. These graduates participated in over 75 cutting-edge scenario-based exercises during the course of their training along with traditional academic and physical training.

Early next week, the new troopers will begin a three month break-in period where they will be assigned to road patrols with a field training officer. The new troopers will increase police presence on state highways and roads, as all of the trainees will begin their careers as road troopers.

"This is the most prepared, well-trained class the State Police has ever graduated," said Secretary Heffernan. "They are sorely needed within the ranks of the Department and in the communities they will serve, and we are anxious for their tours of duty to get underway."

Due to attrition, the Commonwealth is currently down approximately 500 troopers from its most recent high point in the fall of 2006. The new troopers will increase police presence on state highways and roads, as all of the trainees will begin their careers as road troopers.

"Your commandant, your training directors, your drill instructors, your firearms and fitness and defensive tactics instructors have all given you the tools you need to succeed," said Colonel McGovern. "That is, all the tools but one. The final piece, the quality upon which all the other skills and tools depend, is found inside each one of you. You brought it with you when you arrived in New Braintree that Monday morning in October more than five months ago. That quality is called heart and the fire that burns within it, that animates all you have learned. It is your heart that will allow you to be brave in the face of danger, relentless in your pursuit of justice, fair in your interactions with the public, and compassionate to those who look to you for help in their most vulnerable moments."

A list of the new troopers and their hometowns follows:

Jason P. Abramoski	Foxborough
Paul S. Aten	Mendon
Matthew T. Baird	Spencer
Richard H. Barnard	Wakefield
John J. Basler	Kingston
Blake A. Bearden	Bedford
David C. Bergeron	Methuen
Alexander W. Berry	Southbridge
Paul J. Bertozzi	Mansfield
Peter Bien-Aime	Somerville
Zachary J. Bolcome	Peabody
Christopher M. Boudreau	Northbridge
Kurt M. Bourdon	Taunton
Christopher A. Bowers	Randolph
Stephen M. Browning	Boston
Yuriy P. Bukhenik	Attleboro
Ray Moore Burton, III	Medfield
Stephen A. Bushay	Orange
Sabay A. Buth	Lowell
Brendan E. Cain	Westborough
Michael P. Callahan	Quincy
Rafael Cazares	Shrewsbury
Timothy J. Chiappini	Dennis
Michael E. Child	West Bridgewater
Eric Choi	Milton

Michael A. Clement	Attleboro
Noah A. Clock	Palmer
Daniel C. Close	Quincy
Michael R. Coan	Boston
James M. Colella	Franklin
James M. Connolly, Jr.	Stow
James A. Cook	Westfield
Derek J. Cormier	Bellingham
Roland P. Cormier	Amesbury
Dwayne P. Correia	Raynham
James B. Coyle	Norwood
Jeffrey L. Cutlip	New Marlborough
Matthew F. Daigle	Lowell
John R. Dailey	Marshfield
Nicholas D. D'Angelo	Wrentham
Andrew J. DaSilva	New Bedford
James D. DeAngelis, Jr.	Marshfield
Costantino DeGisi, Jr.	Waltham
Jonathan P. DeLuca	Sharon
Robert A. DeMeo	Haverhill
Gregory A. Denys	Goshen
Jose A. De Pena	Newburyport
Steven A. Detschner	Yarmouth
Patrick M. Devin	Quincy
David M. DiCrescenzo	Norwood
Matthew C. Ditata	New Bedford
Douglas J. Dolan	Cambridge
Ryan J. Dolan	Concord
Edwin M. Dominguez	Boston
Chad P. Doucette	Swampscott
Kenneth P. Downey	Weymouth
Ryan C. Doyle	Boston
Kyle J. Duarte	Fall River
Mark D. Dunn	Braintree
Kiel D. Dzivasen	Douglas
Brian Estevez	Saugus
Burt H. Fahy	Millis
Sérgio Daniel Figueiredo	Ludlow
Michael P. Finley	Plymouth
Sean P. Finn	Bridgewater
Thomas S. Fisk	Worthington
Brandon G. Floyd	Ludlow
Joseph H. Flynn, V	Townsend
Joseph T. Flynn	Quincy
Douglas Charles Francoeur	Duxbury
Phillip A. Giardino, Jr.	Foxborough
Douglas P. Grout	Ashland
Andrew J. Gurry	North Reading
Michael J. Haines	Quincy

Joshua M. Hanssen	Westminster
Timothy J. Harrington	Worcester
Shawn D. Hatchell	Plymouth
Scott P. Hayes	Reading
Steven S. Hean	Gill
Elijah J. Hebert	Holden
Sean W. Hennessey	South Dartmouth
Brandyn D. Henson	New Bedford
Malachy Higgins	Quincy
Ethan T. Hillman	Sturbridge
Matthew D. Hoss	Hull
Patrick J. Irwin	Salem
Benjamin J. Joress	Framingham
Pierre M. Joseph	Brockton
Michael J. Kadingo	Carver
Ziad B. Kamel	Boston
Matthew F. Kane	Westfield
Christopher J. Kennedy	West Springfield
Sean M. Kenney	Chicopee
Seamus M. Kent	Marshfield
Kyle P. Kilimonis	Bedford
Jeffrey D. Kotkowski	Dedham
Justin A. Kruszyna	Cheshire
David P. Lahair	Millbury
William D. Lambirth, Jr.	Ashland
Paul M. Langone	Reading
Michael A. Leahy	Worcester
Carol D. Leurini	Whitman
Christopher M. Lipiec	Athol
Jack Louie	Malden
David C. Lucas	Rockland
Michael J. Lucas, Sr.	Petersham
Cristina J. Lucin-Maietta	Boston
Robert B. MacAleese	Walpole
Kevin P. MacDermott	Bridgewater
Michael P. MacDonald	Hudson
Jerome P. MacDonald, III	Marshfield
Paul B. MacDonald, Jr.	Barnstable
Corey J. Mackey	Westfield
Patrick E. Mahady	Boston
Danish Malhotra	Attleboro
James Matthew Maloney	Lynnfield
Bunheng Ty Mao	Foxborough
Christopher M. Martin	Raynham
Paul L. Martin	Fall River
Felipe Martinez, Jr.	Worcester
Luis M. Martinez	Springfield
Andrew J. Mason	Hanover
Ryan E. Mauer	Pittsfield

Sean J. McClintock	Worcester
Jonathan A. McClure	Douglas
Patrick J. McCrave	Haverhill
Stephan P. McKay, II	Raynham
Erin K. McLaughlin	Boston
Michael T. McNally	Springfield
Patrick M. McNamara	Plymouth
Sean P. McNamara	Clinton
Christopher J. Meleo	Fall River
Cory M. Melo	Wareham
Joseph R. Merrick	Melrose
Eric D. Meschke	Dudley
Daniel P. Miller	Plymouth
Sean Milovanovic	Methuen
Thiago O. Miranda	Marlborough
Daniel E. Moran	Dudley
Chanel S. Moreau	Methuen
Daniel S. Moro	Braintree
Matthew J. Morrissey	Canton
Brendan J. Murphy	Boston
Charles R. Murphy	Worcester
Daniel K. Navin	Waltham
Daniel E. Nersessian	Halifax
Daniel R. Nunes	Taunton
Mark E. O'Brien	Lynnfield
Michael J. O'Brien	Northampton
Jonathan S. O'Loughlin	Lancaster
Kevin A. Owen	Dartmouth
Matthew B. Owens	Boston
Noah H. Pack	Gill
Adam K. Paicos	Easton
Nicholas R. Pak	Abington
Joseph W. Paul	Quincy
Nicholas J. Pellegrino	Boxborough
Jeffrey A. Pelletier	Springfield
Timothy David Pelletier	Palmer
Antone Pereira	Westport
Anthony J. Perez	Worcester
Michael R. Perry	Peabody
Joseph J. Petty	Paxton
John Phonesavanh	Malden
Christopher J. Pierce	Woburn
Scott F. Quigley	Woburn
Joseph J. Rabbitt	Plymouth
Joseph M. Reen	Norwood
Paul K. Rego	Boston
Ali Rei	North Brookfield
Eric James Resendes	Rehoboth
Ryan C. Resmini	Somerville

Taylor R. Robidoux	Methuen
Michael F. Rockett	Quincy
Thomas B. Rodger	Norwood
Brendan J. Roper	Dartmouth
Joshua A. Rucho	Northbridge
Robert W. Ryan, III	Roslindale
David Robert Salvucci	Chelmsford
Jorge A. Sanchez	Fall River
Patrick M. Scanlon	Wilmington
Jayson Sepulveda	Somerville
Jeffrey A. Simakauskas	Spencer
Daren W. Snyder	Dalton
Shawn Joseph Solomon	Boston
Jonathan R. Spencer	Worcester
Norman B. Stanikmas	Bellingham
Jack H. Sterner	Worcester
David N. Stewart	Chelmsford
Matthew R. Stone	Hudson
Sean Stowe	Topsfield
David A. Strong	Haverhill
Thomas J. Sullivan, IV	Boston
Thomas W. Sullivan	Springfield
John J. Taylor	Berkley
Stephen F. Taylor	Plymouth
Benjamin P. Therrien	Gardner
Kathryn A. Tiezzi	Dunstable
Thomas F. Tobin, Jr.	Shrewsbury
Matthew O. Trombley	Westhampton
Jason E. Trout	Taunton
Christopher Mark Uliana	Belchertown
Steven J. Valair	Norwood
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