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## **CITY OF KEARNEY** **PRESS RELEASE** ***For Immediate Release***

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### **30th Anniversary of Kearney Police Department and Buffalo County Sheriff's Office Co-Location**

In July of 1994, Kearney Police Department Chief Steve Lamken and Buffalo County Sheriff Neil Miller, along with the Kearney City Council and Buffalo County Board of Commissioners created history when they co-located their departments by moving them into the same building. The two agencies shared resources to better serve the citizens of Kearney and Buffalo County. Working together, they created a model program that was a first in the state of Nebraska, and which would be watched closely and eventually modeled by other departments in the 30 years since. We are proud to still be the model for how law enforcement agencies can work together to better serve our communities.

“As the third Chief of Police at KPD during the past thirty years, I am extremely proud of our relationship with the Buffalo County Sheriff's Office and Sheriff Miller, which remains strong. The strength of this relationship was born out of the idea we can better serve both the City of Kearney and Buffalo County together. The success has been built by the professional men and women who have served and continue to serve together with both agencies, in partnership with our supportive community. While we both maintain our individual organizational identities, the partnership is seen throughout all facets of our collective operations. We look forward to the next thirty years of our successful partnership and I will always appreciate those who had the vision and leadership to make this happen.” – Chief Bryan D. Waugh

Kearney Police Chief Bryan Waugh and Buffalo County Sheriff Neil Miller invite you to join us for our 30 years of co-location celebration. There will be an open house at the Law Enforcement Center at 2025 A Avenue on Tuesday, July 18th from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. There will be cookies and coffee along with an open house and tours of the Law Enforcement Center.

We are also expecting to have several special guests in attendance to include former Police Chief Steve Lamken, Retired Police Chief Dan Lynch, members of the Buffalo County Board, City Council, City and County Administrators, and NPPD.

**Check out our web site at [www.cityofkearney.org](http://www.cityofkearney.org).**

*We are sending this News Release as a service to the news media and citizens of Kearney.*