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Police and Community Come Together Here



Patrick L. Gallagher
Chief of Police

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RE: Letter of reference, Nolan Tomboulian

To Whom it May Concern;

It is with great pride that I add my voice to the many who value the work that Mr. Nolan Tomboulian has provided to the New Bern Police Department. As the Chief of Police and a veteran of over 33 years of policing, I have come to rely on my instincts when it comes to judging a person's character. I cannot provide a higher recommendation for Mr. Tomboulian, as he has proven himself through his repeated great work. I have witnessed his interaction with the wonderful young people that have participated in our youth chess club and how he shows compassion and dedication to mentoring and teaching the youth of our community.

He was gracious in volunteering to work with the New Bern Police Department as we sought to advance a youth project involving teaching New Bern children to play chess. Mr. Tomboulian learned of our project and reached out to our agency to offer his expertise. Mr. Tomboulian has led our chess club, the New Bern Noble Knights, since its inception in January 2022. Since then, we have successfully completed three sessions of our club with the fourth session to begin later this year.

Since coming to New Bern, Mr. Tomboulian, has been one of the most dedicated, reliable, and honorable people I have met and consider myself blessed to have added him as a friend. He has been approachable and amenable to those who seek his help in achieving a better community.

People make a community what it is. For better or worse, the fabric of any community includes those who hold it together and can advance it in ways that benefit all. Mr. Tomboulian is one such person who represents the best of our community through his leadership, advocacy, and spirit of heart.


Patrick Gallagher

Chief of Police



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