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I know that thousands upon thousands of Chicago Police Officers do their job honorably, and do it well, everyday. I see it when I'm on the street and I hear it from the public. I know this is a stressful and dangerous job. I know that you are the ones who make this Department a success everyday and I know that what we have seen in the last few weeks does not represent the Chicago Police Department. This is not us. This does not represent who we are.

Everyday when we put on our star, we realize the importance it holds and the responsibility that it carries. We took this job to serve and protect. I am saddened when misdeeds of a few give the entire department a bad name. I know you too are hurting because of the actions of a few.

We need to move forward and stay focused on our mission. The outstanding reputation that we have built must not be overlooked. You are the ones that people call when they need help. This is what you do. You save lives, you make a difference.

We have the finest employee assistance program in the country. It has helped hundreds of police officers and their families. It's confidential and it's available to you 24 hours a day, seven days a week. If you need it, use it. 312-747-5492

You have made this city a safer place to live and work. You are a member of the best Police Department in the world. Always remember that police officers are held to a higher standard both on and off duty. I am confident that you will continue to meet and exceed these standards. Continue to do the courageous deeds you do everyday. You make me proud to be the Superintendent of the Chicago Police Department. Stay safe, and make sure at the end of your tour of duty, you go home safely to your family.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Philip J. Cline".

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