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Retired Portland Police Officer Elected Treasurer of the International Association of Women Police

Michele Lish, a retired Lieutenant with the Portland Police Bureau, has been elected Treasurer of the International Association of Women Police (IAWP).

Michele, who has been a member of the organization since 1983, was elected to the role at the IAWP's Annual Training Conference, which was held in St John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada, earlier this month.

She said: "This year I enter my 12th year on the Board of Directors for the IAWP, having served as the Recording Secretary for the last 11 years. I am delighted to have now been elected to serve a three year term as Treasurer.

"Alongside this I will continue in my role to provide an overview of the IAWP's website, working closely with our Webmistress, and serving on our Constitution and Policy Committee.

"My IAWP involvement has taken me not only North America but to the UK, Australia, South Africa, the United Arab Emirates and Bangladesh, and I have already registered for the 2015 Conference that will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the founding of IAWP. This conference will be held in Wales, UK."

During her time as a member of the organization Michele has attended 30 consecutive IAWP conferences. She has also participated in the Adopt-an-Officer program, sponsoring police women from developing nations to membership in the IAWP.

Michele, who served with the Portland Police Bureau for 25 years, received international recognition in 2000 when she was named the IAWP's Officer of the Year and in 2007 she received the IAWP President's Recognition Award for her work as the organization's secretary.

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The IAWP has members in 60 countries across the world and is committed to further enhancing its members' skills through professional development, training, recognition, mentoring, networking and peer support.

To find out more about the IAWP please visit the website www.iawp.org. For interview requests please contact Melanie Hill at Integrity PR at mel@integritypr.co.uk