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To the Anteater community,

Following Chief Liz Griffin's retirement, Assistant Police Chief Paul Cooper will serve as interim chief of police beginning June 30, 2026, while the university conducts a national search for its next chief of police.

Chief Cooper has over 40 years of law enforcement experience and previously served as UCI's interim chief of police in 2018. Before joining UCI, he served as chief of police for the City of Claremont for 10 years. His extensive leadership experience, collaborative approach, and deep knowledge of the UCI community will help ensure continuity of operations and the continued delivery of exceptional public safety services during this leadership transition.

We are grateful to Chief Cooper for once again stepping into this important leadership role and appreciate his continued commitment to the safety and well-being of the campus community.

Sincerely,

Mary Lou D. Ortiz
 Chief Financial Officer
 Vice Chancellor, Finance & Administration

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