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CCRB Statement on Sexual Misconduct Ruling

New York, NY – New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) Chair Fred Davie issued the following statement Thursday regarding the Supreme Court of the State of New York’s ruling in *Patrick J. Lynch and the Patrolmen’s Benevolent Association of the City of New York v. the New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board, Frederick Davie, and James P. O’Neill*.

The ruling affirms that sexual misconduct is an abuse of authority and thus is within the CCRB’s jurisdiction under the New York City Charter:

“Today’s decision is a victory for all New Yorkers. Anyone who has experienced sexual misconduct at the hands of a member of the New York City Police Department has a right to report that abuse of authority to an independent, all-civilian agency.

“The Agency continues to be committed to complete, thorough, and impartial investigations of sexual misconduct and is pleased to have the backing of the judiciary on this matter.”

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The New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) is the largest police oversight entity in the nation and is empowered to investigate, mediate, prosecute, and recommend disciplinary action for complaints alleging misconduct by NYPD officers. See NYC Charter § 440(c)(1). The agency’s jurisdiction includes excessive and unnecessary force, abuse of authority, discourtesy, and use of offensive language. To further this mission, CCRB issues monthly, biannual, and special statistical and qualitative reports analyzing trends and recurring issues arising from the many thousands of civilian complaints it receives each year.