



CITY OF HAMPTON **SHERIFF**

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## **BOWDEN ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR SHERIFF OF HAMPTON**

Citing a long record of excellent administration and public safety, Sheriff Karen Bowden announced today that she is running to succeed the late sheriff B.J. Roberts as the elected sheriff of Hampton Virginia.

"I have served as the Undersheriff for 22 years," Bowden said. "I am prepared to continue and build upon Roberts' legacy of success."

"As Sheriff, my vision for the future is to lead, innovate and inspire. This vision includes enhancing inmate release programs by using modern technology to link our office with agencies that can assist our inmates with a smooth transition back to society once released," Bowden said.

Bowden's candidacy has been endorsed by many incumbent constitutional officers in Hampton - Commissioner of the Revenue Ross Mugler, Commonwealth's Attorney Anton Bell, and City Treasurer Molly Ward - as well as by Delegate Martha Mugler.

"The next Sheriff of the City of Hampton will need to be capable of making bold, transformational changes to meet the needs of an ever changing inmate population," Bowden said. "I am that sheriff. My years of service and passion for corrections are well documented. I am bold, energetic, a collaborator and have been a catalyst for change in this industry for decades."

The first step will be winning the Democratic Primary, which will be held on June 8.

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