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The Board of Police Commissioners issued the following statement on the passing of Retired Police Chief Stanley Knox:

Police Chief Stanley Knox successfully faced and conquered several challenges when the City of Detroit really needed a hero. Chief Knox helped the City and the Department turn the page on corruption scandals that had wiped out trust in both local and federal law enforcement. Then, with Mayor Coleman A. Young, he helped keep the community and the Department calm and together after DPD officers fatally beat Malice Green and two were convicted of his murder.

As an officer, he had been known as smart, dedicated and honorable. He carried those traits as he rose through the ranks to become Mayor Young's choice to lead the Police Department at a tumultuous time. Chief Knox was a compassionate and commanding figure - respected and trusted by the community he served, the men and women he served with, and the Department he led.

The Board of Police Commissioners joins in mourning his passing and offers sincere condolences to his wife, former Deputy Chief Dorothy Knox, and all his family and friends.