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From	Colonel Paul A. Pride, Superintendent	<u>t</u>		
Subject	Retirement			

Serving as the 18th Superintendent of the Ohio State Highway Patrol is one of the greatest honors of my life. I joined the Patrol for the same reason each of you did – I believed in the mission, and I still do. Today, I am announcing my retirement from the Division effective Friday, March 15, 2019, after more than three decades in public service.

I want to take this opportunity to say thank you. Regardless of the task, the men and women of the Patrol have always risen to the challenge. Colonel Bob Chiaramonte once said, "The Patrol is a great outfit because of its people." I can tell you this, truer words have never been spoken. It has been a great honor, and my distinct privilege to serve with exemplary people for the last 30 years.

Most of all, I want to commend each of you for your leadership, professionalism, selfless service and unwavering dedication to duty. Your commitment to our mission has led the Patrol to new heights. In the last five and a half years we have achieved unparalleled success, which each of you are responsible for. Your leadership has never been stronger, and it will lead the Patrol to greater levels of success in the future.

The Patrol's future is bright and the best is still ahead. Your hard and dangerous work will continue to make a difference in the lives of those we serve. I am confident the future holds even greater things for the Ohio State Highway Patrol. I'll always be in your corner, and I'll always be cheering for each of you! Stay in the gas my friends!