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For further information contact Chief Kevin Burke, or Sergeant Brad Rasmussen.

Regarding the arrest of Officer Richard Erickson, the matter involves an ongoing confidential personnel matter, and I cannot discuss the specifics. Officer Erickson is currently on administrative leave from the Lakeport Police Department. He is an 11-year veteran of the Lakeport Police Department.

I would like to commend the entire staff at the Lakeport Police Department for their significant role in bringing this matter to light. I am very proud of the entire Lakeport Police Department staff for their commitment to maintaining the high ethical standards that the community expects and deserves. I would also like to thank the Lake County District Attorney's Office for assisting the Lakeport Police Department with this difficult investigation.

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