



December 17, 2021

City Manager Layton,

I am notifying you of my transition into a new chapter of my life and it is with the utmost respect, gratitude and humility that I submit this letter of resignation as Police Chief for the City of Wichita.

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as Chief for the last six years and want to thank the members of the Wichita Police Department for their dedication to our community. The last couple of years in policing has been the most challenging in our profession's history and I am proud of how our staff members have handled themselves through these tumultuous times. The Wichita Police Department has some of the finest and hardworking individuals in the nation. I am thankful for those in the department who have worked so hard to help us improve and make positive changes that benefit everyone.

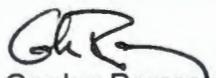
I am leaving WPD for the betterment of my family as they are the most important thing in my life and we are at a time when it is most important I am there for them. Serving as a police chief is a demanding lifestyle and all too often family has come second. While I love my work, having served as a chief for over 16 years I look forward to taking a break and truly putting my family first. Too often my wife and children have had their wants and needs come second to my work. Additionally, my Dad turns 90 in a few weeks and is battling cancer. It is sad not to see my parents more during this phase of their lives.

I am grateful for you, Mayors Whipple and Longwell, all of the Council members and Senator Jerry Moran for their support over the last six years. I will especially miss our community members and am grateful for their outpouring of support and encouragement during my tenure. They have helped shape me in ways I could have never imagined and am better for it.

As we discussed, I want to be as helpful as possible during this transition and my last official day will be March 1, 2022.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve as the Wichita Police Chief. It has been a true honor.

With gratitude and respect,

  
Gordon Ramsay