

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION**

IN THE MATTER OF
MICHAEL VILLANUEVA

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Case No. 2025-038

ORDER ON SUSPENSION

On July 3, 2025, the Executive Director, pursuant to a delegation of authority by the Massachusetts Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission (“Commission”), and on its behalf, immediately imposed the suspension of Officer Michael Villanueva’s certification as a law enforcement officer after receiving sufficient evidence that the Officer was [REDACTED]. See M.G.L. c. 6E, [REDACTED] (“The commission shall immediately suspend the certification of any officer who is [REDACTED]”). On November 20, 2025, the Officer filed a request for a hearing before the full Commission, and a hearing was scheduled for February 19, 2026.

Despite being properly notified in writing of the date, time, and place for the adjudicatory hearing, neither the Officer nor his attorney of record appeared. Accordingly, the suspension shall remain in effect until the Commission issues a final decision disposing of all disciplinary matters, and the Executive Director shall keep the Officer’s name published on the list of suspended officers. See M.G.L. c. 6E, § 9(a)(5); 555 CMR 1.08(4).

By vote of the Commission on February 19, 2026.

Margaret R. Hinkle

Hon. Margaret R. Hinkle (Ret.), Chair

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