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MUNDELEIN PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT VICE PRESIDENT
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OF LEADING STATEWIDE ASSOCIATION FOR PARKS

SPRINGFIELD, IL - - Jesse Ortega, Vice President of the Mundelein Park & Recreation District, was recently appointed sergeant-at-arms of the Illinois Association of Park Districts' (IAPD) Board of Trustees.

As sergeant-at-arms, Ortega will assist the association with its mission of advancing Illinois park districts, forest preserves, conservation, recreation and special recreation agencies in their ability to preserve natural resources and improve the quality of life for all people in Illinois. He will work with the 19-member board in advising the association in its service, research, advocacy, public awareness and educational programs. IAPD's membership includes more than 360 park, recreation and conservation agencies and nearly 100 affiliated business partners.

"Jesse's dedication and enthusiasm to the park, recreation and conservation field are evident in the commitment displays as a commissioner for the Mundelein Park & Recreation District," said

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Peter Murphy, IAPD President and Chief Executive Officer. “We are fortunate to have him working to advance the mission of parks, recreation and conservation statewide.” Ortega also serves on IAPD’s Honors and Resolutions Committee. He was elected to the Mundelein Park & Recreation District board in 2013.

IAPD was established in 1928 and is the oldest state association for parks, recreation and conservation in America. The association serves more than 2,100 elected park, recreation and forest preserve district board members who govern more than 360 agencies employing 40,000 individuals.

IAPD strives to improve Illinois’ quality of life through park districts, forest preserves, conservation and recreation agencies by establishing grants and other new revenue streams for park land, facilities and services; educating the public about the positive effects parks and recreation have on communities; and meeting the problem of decreasing open space in Illinois.

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