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NBA GREAT RICK BARRY TO RECEIVE HONORARY DEPUTY STATUS FROM SAN FRANCISCO SHERIFF PAUL MIYAMOTO

Fundraising Gala to Benefit the San Francisco Junior Deputy Program

DATE: Wednesday, February 12, 2025
TIME: 6 p.m.
PLACE: San Francisco Italian Athletic Club, 1630 Stockton St., San Francisco 94133
ATTENDEES: Sheriff Paul Miyamoto
Former Golden State Warriors All-Star Rick Barry
Current Warriors stars TBA
Local law enforcement leaders

BACKGROUND: Just in time for **NBA All-Star 2025** weekend, Sheriff Paul Miyamoto will bestow a deputy star upon retired **Golden State Warriors champion Rick Barry**. Honorary deputy stars are awarded to community members to recognize their support of public safety. While Barry will not have the legal authority to perform policing duties, the honorary deputy title is a symbolic position indicating the person's strong commitment to law enforcement efforts.

Barry played in the NCAA, American Basketball Association (ABA), and the NBA. He ranks among the most prolific scorers and all-around players in basketball history. Barry is the only player to lead the NCAA, ABA, and NBA in points per game in a season. His 36.3 points average per game are the most in NBA Finals history. Barry was known for his unorthodox underhand free throws – his .880 percentage was the best of any NBA player at the time of his retirement in 1980. In 1987, he was inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. In 1996, he was named one of the 50 greatest players in NBA history.

The gala will benefit the **Sheriff's Office's Junior Deputy Program**, which offers year-round mentorship to 9-18 year olds, providing leadership opportunities in extracurricular activities such as the Junior Deputy Academy, the Air Squadron class, and the U.S. Coast Guard Air Station tour.

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