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Portsmouth Police Department Releases Lip Sync Challenge Video

(Portsmouth, Virginia September 5, 2018) – After weeks of speculation, taunts, jabs and challenges from Portsmouth residents and from the city of Chesapeake Police Department, Portsmouth’s finest . . . the men and women in blue of the Portsmouth Police Department released its own Police Department Lip Sync Challenge Video August 30. With all the fanfare of a Hollywood production, the Portsmouth Police Department, Fred Schoenfeld owner of the Commodore Theatre, and the city’s Marketing, Communications and Tourism departments planned a red carpet event for the video’s release at the Commodore Theatre, 421 High Street in downtown Portsmouth. More than 200 people attended including citizens, public officials, city employees and others.

The Commodore first opened in 1945 and was lovingly restored by Schoenfeld and his team in 1987. The artwork in both the auditorium and lobby areas have been restored to display every historic detail. The Commodore’s sound system was designed with the assistance from George Lucas’ THX Group at Lucas Film in California. Today, the Commodore is on the U.S. National Register of Historic Places and Virginia Landmarks Register.

As of today’s date, the Portsmouth Police Department Lip Sync Challenge Video had been seen more than 250,000 times. Check out the video here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6QeKbxFOHQM>. For more information, contact the Marketing, Communications and Tourism Department at 757-393-5143.

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