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MAYOR BALLARD TAPS IUPUI SENIOR LECTURER TO HEAD CITY’S TOP EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

INDIANAPOLIS -- Mayor Greg Ballard joined by Eric Wright, Associate Dean of IUPUI’s School of Public and Environmental Affairs (SPEA), announced today that Jim White, a clinical lecturer at IUPUI, will head up the city’s emergency management efforts by serving as the as Administrator of the Emergency Management Division.

White, who has been a lecturer in SPEA’s Public Safety Management Program since 2002, will be responsible for coordinating emergency preparedness and response efforts throughout Marion County, as well monitoring special events like the Indianapolis 500.

“This is a singular opportunity to create a new alliance between Indianapolis and IUPUI to advance the delivery of public safety and emergency management operations”, said Mayor Ballard. “Jim White has a national reputation and a varied background in emergency management, gained through significant, international leadership positions. His experience will prove to be an invaluable asset for our community.”

White is a retired member of the Indiana State Police with more than twenty years of service. He also has an extensive public safety background, which includes more than 37 years of military experience and serving as a security planner for the 1993 World University Games, 1994 World Cup championships, and the 1996 Atlanta Centennial Olympics.

One of White’s initial responsibilities with the city will be to develop and coordinate planning for the 2012 Super Bowl in Indianapolis, as well as other large events held in Indianapolis. He will also work with SPEA juniors and seniors to develop a robust emergency management internship program, providing an opportunity for advanced coursework in coordination with the city’s emergency management division.

“This is an excellent opportunity for the School of Public and Environmental Affairs to contribute in another way to the safety of the citizens of Indianapolis. Jim White is an outstanding figure in his field
and will be able to help SPEA grow its public safety program with real life experience, and at the same time help Indianapolis,” said Dean Wright.

**JIM WHITE’S BIO:**

**EDUCATION**

- Masters degree in Education, Butler University
- B.S. in Criminal Justice, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis
- Graduate, U.S. Army War College, was an Army Fellow at Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND AFFILIATIONS**

- Former Director, Marion County Department of Public Safety, Emergency Management Agency
- Retired member, Indiana State Police - over twenty years of service as a Trooper, training officer and field supervisor / commander
- Deputy Director, Indiana Law Enforcement Academy
- Security planner for the 1993 World University Games, the 1994 World Cup Championships, the 1995 World Rowing Championships, and the 1996 Atlanta Centennial Olympics
- Over 37 years with the U.S. Army - Director of the Reserve Component Division for the Multi-National Force/Corps-Iraq at Camp Victory in Baghdad, Deputy Assistant Commandant of the U.S. Army Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma

**MAJOR FIELDS OF EXPERTISE**

- Public safety management
- Emergency services management
- Emergency management, homeland security

**COURSES TAUGHT**

- SPEA-J 101 The American Criminal Justice System
- SPEA-J 150 Public Safety in America
- SPEA-J 375 Emergency Services Administration
- SPEA-J 376 Principles of Public Safety Management

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