BEFORE THE POLICE BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

IN THE MATTER OF CHARGES FILED AGAINST POLICE OFFICER IRWIN NEGRON, STAR #7277, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE, CITY OF CHICAGO.

CASE #00-2429 C. R. #257190

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RESPONDENT.

FINDINGS AND DECISION

On October 4, 2000, the Superintendent of Police filed charges with the Police

Board of the City of Chicago, seeking the separation of Police Officer **IRWIN**

NEGRON, Star #7277, hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Respondent" for violation

of the following rules:

<u>RULE 2</u> - "Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department."

<u>RULE 8</u> - "Disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty."

<u>RULE 14</u> - "Making a false report, written or oral."

The Police Board of the City of Chicago, caused a hearing on these charges

against Police Officer IRWIN NEGRON, Star #7277, to be heard by JACQUELINE

A. WALKER, Hearing Officer of the Police Board of the City of Chicago, on February 6, and March 13, 2001. Following the Hearing, the members of the Police Board read and reviewed the certified transcription of the proceedings of the hearing.

JACQUELINE A. WALKER, Hearing Officer made an oral report and conferred with the Police Board before it rendered a decision.

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As a result of the foregoing, the Police Board of the City of Chicago finds and determines that:

- The Respondent was, at all times mentioned herein, a Police Officer employed by the Department of Police of the City of Chicago;
- (2) The charges were filed, in writing, and a Notice, stating the time, date and place, when and where a hearing on the charges was to be held, together with a copy of the original charges were served upon the Respondent more than five (5) days prior to the hearing on the charges;
- (3) Throughout the hearing, the Respondent appeared in person and was represented by legal counsel;
- (4) The Respondent, Police Officer IRWIN NEGRON, Star #7277, as charged herein, is <u>guilty</u> of violating, to-wit:
- **<u>RULE 2</u>** "Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department", in the following instances:

(A) On one or about October 10, 1999, while in the vicinity of 2038 North Spaulding, he directed profanities at Ramon Neal over the public address system of his police vehicle.

(B) On or about October 10, 1999, while in the vicinity of 2038 North Spaulding, he mistreated Ramon Neal when he intentionally burned and/or extinguished a lit cigar on Neal's arm, resulting in a second degree burn.

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(C) On or about December 17, 1999, he gave false information regarding the verbal and physical abuse of Ramon Neal that occurred on or about October 10, 1999.

(5) Respondent, Police Officer **IRWIN NEGRON**, Star #7277, as charged herein, is <u>guilty</u> of violating, to-wit:

<u>RULE 8</u> - "Disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty", in the following instances:

(A) On or about October 10, 1999, while in the vicinity of 2038 North Spaulding, he disrespected Ramon Neal when he directed profanities at Neal over the public address system of his police vehicle.

(B) On or about October 10, 1999, while in the vicinity of 2038 North Spaulding, he mistreated Ramon Neal when he intentionally burned and/or extinguished a lit cigar on Neal's ram, resulting in a second degree burn.

(6) The Respondent, Police Officer **IRWIN NEGRON**, Star #7277, as charged herein, is **guilty** of violating, to-wit:

<u>**RULE 14</u>** - "Making a false report, written or oral", in that:</u>

On or about December 17, 1999, he gave false information regarding the verbal and physical abuse of Ramon Neal that occurred on or about October 10, 1999.

BY REASON of the findings of fact and of guilty herein, cause exists for the suspension of Respondent, Police Officer **IRWIN NEGRON**, Star #7277, from the

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Department of Police and from the services of the City of Chicago.

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JACQUELINE A. WALKER Hearing Officer

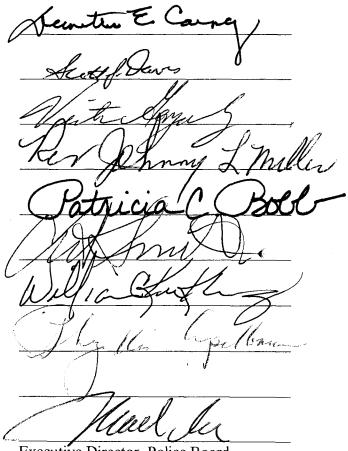
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DECISION

The members of the Police Board, having read and reviewed the certified copy of the transcription of the hearing, having received the oral report of the Hearing Officer, JACQUELINE A. WALKER, and having conferred with the Hearing Officer on the credibility of the witnesses and the evidence, hereby adopt all findings herein and, in reaching its decision as to the penalty imposed, the Board has taken into account not only the facts of this case but also the respondent's complimentary and disciplinary history, which is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the respondent, Police Officer **IRWIN NEGRON**, Star # 7277, as a result of having been found guilty of the charges in Police Board Case No. 00-2429, is hereby suspended from his position as a Police Officer, and from the services of the City of Chicago, from October 6, 2000, to and including May 28, 2001.

DATED AT CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS 17^{+2} DAY OF 12^{-1} , 2001.



Executive Director, Police Board

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DISSENT

The following member of the Police Board, while concurring in the finding of guilty, hereby dissents from the decision of the majority of the Board, and would support a lesser penalty.

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