I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this directive is to establish procedural guidelines regarding response to bank alarms by patrol units, and to implement a complementary cooperative alarm program established by bank officials in efforts to accomplish the following objectives.

A. To insure the safety of “financial institutions” personnel and citizens as well as Police Officers if a bank robbery is actually in progress.

B. To promote a uniform response procedure by Police personnel, and to familiarize officers with alarm procedure to be used by bank personnel, thus establishing familiarization with each agency’s course of action in the event of a bank robbery.

A limited number of the enclosed City of Charlottesville Police Department General Orders have been redacted. The redactions ensure that that Police Department’s operational and tactical responses are withheld for community and Officer Safety (e.g., bank alarm response, response to an active threat, and Tactical Operations).