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For Immediate Release**Milwaukee County Sheriff David A. Clarke Jr. Earns Security
Master's Degree from Naval Postgraduate School**

MONTEREY, Calif. – David A. Clarke Jr., Sheriff of Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, completed a Master of Arts Degree in Security Studies at the Naval Postgraduate School Center for Homeland Defense and Security on September 27, 2013.

Clarke, a lifelong resident of Milwaukee, is a 35-year law enforcement professional, having served 24 years with the Milwaukee Police Department before becoming Milwaukee County Sheriff in 2002. While serving with MPD, he became Commanding Officer of the Intelligence Division. The Division was responsible for producing and sharing intelligence, and for providing dignitary protection in conjunction with the Secret Service, the Department of State, and other federal agencies. Sheriff Clarke graduated summa cum laude from Concordia University Wisconsin, which named him Alumnus of the Year in 2003. He completed executive education programs at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government, the FBI National Academy, the National Sheriffs' Institute, and the FBI National Executive Institute.

During the 18-month online and in-residence program, Sheriff Clarke collaborated with homeland security officials from across the nation on current policy, strategy, and organizational design challenges. He wrote a thesis on striking a balance between domestic intelligence operations and protecting privacy and civil liberties.

Twenty-nine students received degrees from CHDS as part of ceremonies at the Naval Postgraduate School. They represent a cross-section of the homeland security profession and include professionals from the Department of Homeland Security and its related agencies, law enforcement, fire safety, homeland security, emergency management, the military and public health.

ABOUT CHDS: CHDS, located at the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS), is the nation's homeland security educator. Master's degree students develop critical thinking, leadership and policy skills during a rigorous 18-month program. Each graduate completes a thesis on a current issue facing his/her jurisdiction. These theses often translate into policy and practice. The CHDS is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Preparedness Directorate, within the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). For information, visit www.chds.us.

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