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### **Jean-Marc Léveillé Reacts Positively to the Announcement of Funding for the "Policiers RÉSO" project by the Government of Quebec**

**Longueuil, June 14, 2021** — The mayoral candidate for Longueuil Citoyen, Jean-Marc Léveillé, is proud of the announcement of the investment of \$3.6 million in the Service de police de l'agglomération de Longueuil (SPAL), in order to launch the "Policiers RÉSO" project. A project which is intended to train police officers who work with the most vulnerable people. A sum of \$300,000 from the ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux (MSSS) will ensure the sustainability of the psychosocial component of the project.

"I fully support the management of the Longueuil Agglomeration Police Department in its approach to a new management of the police service, and salute the efforts made by Director Fady Dagher's team to change the police approach with a new community policing. When 70% of the calls received by the police department involve psychological and social distress, we must adapt and review the approach. The amounts announced today by the Government of Quebec are a great recognition of the leadership exercised by our police officers in the field. I think we can be very proud of it", said Jean-Marc Léveillé.

Let us recall that last March, the Government of Quebec announced that it would invest \$25 million over three years to reform the police model. The "Policiers RÉSO" project is one of the initiatives resulting from this investment.