To Whom it May Concern:

Suntrust Bank has been a valuable partner to the Atlanta Police Foundation (APF) impacting the Atlanta community at large through their philanthropic efforts. APF established in 2003 to cement an alliance between the business community and the Atlanta Police Department (APD) by creating an infrastructure of resources and support for those charged with serving and protecting our great city and its citizens. In partnership with the City of Atlanta and the Atlanta Police Department, APF leads the city’s strategic vision for crime prevention and response and secures private resources to fund projects designed to enhance the effectiveness of the police department. APF has garnered national attention as a model for a successful public-private partnership dedicated to public safety. As a result, we are experiencing a 50 year low in crime with crime rates having decreased by 46% throughout the city since 2003.

Suntrust has been a critical partner and funder of the Atlanta Police Leadership Institute (APLI) program. SunTrust provides the tools and information that APD officers need to make smart decisions along the path to financial well-being. SunTrust’s Financial Literacy Training is an important aspect to Leadership Training for the entire department, with their programming being offered APD-wide. The APD officers selected for APLI receive customized programming and instruction from SunTrust experts as part of the APLI curriculum for Tiers 3 (Sergeants) and 4 (Lieutenants). The modules cover topics tailored to the challenges officers face today and help develop the future leaders of APD. SunTrust’s team has put together a critical module on understanding what financial integrity is and how to look for signs of potential issues within their department or within their subordinates. These themes will be covered over two sessions for a total of four (4) hours of learning.

In addition, Suntrust has been a prominent supporter of our annual Signature Events since 2009. We are truly thankful for our continued partnership with Suntrust Bank and the Suntrust Foundation. If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact me directly at 404-586-0180 or mburgess@atlantapolicefoundation.org.

Kind Regards,

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