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# ONE PROMISE KEPT

THE CASE THAT MADE A COP, AND OTHERS  
THAT ALMOST BROKE HIM  
BY  
STEVEN WEBSTER WITH TREVOR MAXWELL

**POLICE OFFICER AND AUTHOR STEVE WEBSTER TAKES YOU BEHIND THE SCENES AND BEYOND THE HEADLINES OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT CAREER THAT HAS SPANNED OVER 20 YEARS. IN ONE PROMISE KEPT, WEBSTER REVEALS WHAT IS BUBBLING BENEATH THE SURFACE AS HE FACED THE TRIALS, TRIBULATIONS AND TRIUMPHS THAT EVERY COP ENCOUNTERS.**

**“ARE YOU GOING TO CATCH THEM?” SHE SAID.**

**I MADE THE PROMISE WITHOUT HESITATION OR EVEN A HINT OF UNCERTAINTY. YES, I TOLD ALEX. I’M GOING TO CATCH THOSE MEN SO THEY CAN’T DO THIS TO ANYONE ELSE.**

**THAT NIGHT, AS I DROVE HOME TO TUCK MY OWN KIDS IN BED, MY MIND KEPT GOING BACK TO THAT MOMENT, AND TO THE SINGLE THOUGHT THAT WOULD STICK WITH ME FOR THE MONTHS TO COME.**

**DON’T LET HER DOWN.”**

**END OF CHAPTER ONE, ONE PROMISE KEPT**

***STEVE WEBSTER’S “ONE PROMISE KEPT” IS AN INSIGHTFUL AND POIGNANT VIEW OF THE OTHER SIDE OF THE BADGE THAT IS RARELY SHARED WITH THE PUBLIC. IN A 24 HOUR NEWS CYCLE WHERE ONLY LAW ENFORCEMENT’S LESSER MOMENTS SEE THE LIGHT OF DAY, THIS STORY SHOWS THE CONSTANT BALANCING ACT FOR POLICE OFFICERS IN HARDENING THEMSELVES AGAINST THE HORRORS THAT NORMAL PEOPLE WILL NEVER SEE AND RETAINING THEIR HUMAN COMPASSION. AMIDST DEATH, ADDICTION, HUMAN FRAILTY AND DESPAIR, ONE DETECTIVE DRAWS UPON HIS LIFE’S EXPERIENCES AND LESSONS LEARNED TO BRING ABOUT JUSTICE FOR A YOUNG GIRL SET AMID A SINGLE CRIME THAT CHANGES HIS LIFE, WE MEET THROUGH WEBSTER’S EYES, A GALLERY OF JUNKIES AND KILLERS, HEROES AND MENTORS, MET DURING A LIFETIME OF SERVICE TO HIS COUNTRY AND COMMUNITY.***

***“ONE PROMISE KEPT” DEPICTS THE TOO OFTEN UNNOTICED SACRIFICES MADE BY THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT. IT WILL EVOKE A RANGE OF EMOTIONS FOR THE READER AND GIVE THEM A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE HUMAN BEING BEHIND THE UNIFORM. IT SHOULD BE REQUIRED READING FOR ALL NEW POLICE OFFICERS BEFORE THEY HIT THE STREETS IN THEIR CITIES AND TOWNS.***

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