

DEPARTMENT COMMENDATION

December 8, 2022

Ms. Jennifer Prada 4403 West Atlantic Blvd., #1027 Coconut Creek, FL 33066

Dear Ms. Prada:

It is with great pride that I present you this **Department Commendation** for your actions on September 3, 2022.

On this date, at approximately 3:41 p.m., officers responded to the Banyan Bay apartment complex for a possible drowning call. As officers responded, Dispatch advised it was a three-year-old child who was drowning but CPR was performed and the child was revived and breathing.

Officer Garvey arrived on scene and spoke with the child's godmother. She informed Officer Garvey that she was in the pool with her godchildren and, when she turned to speak with one of the children, she took her eyes off of her three-year-old goddaughter, "AD", for about two minutes. When she turned back around, she saw AD floating on the top of the pool.

While the godmother was crying and screaming trying to get AD out of the water, you saw her struggling and immediately helped bring AD out of the water to a flat surface and started CPR. You performed CPR on AD and, before Coconut Creek Police and Fire Departments arrived, the child was breathing again.

Without your quick thinking and immediate assistance, this incident could have ended tragically. In these time we live in, so few people want to "get involved". It is encouraging to know we have concerned citizens like yourself who selflessly contribute to our community's safety.

On behalf of the Coconut Creek Police Department, I would like to extend our sincere appreciation for your actions. We thank you for getting involved and saving an innocent victim's life.

Sincerely,

ALBERT A. ARENAL Chief of Police

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