

DEPARTMENT COMMENDATION

October 24, 2024

Officer Terra W. Johnson Coconut Creek Police Department 4800 West Copans Road Coconut Creek. FL 33063

Dear Officer Johnson:

It is a great pleasure to present you with the *Lifesaving Award* for the actions you took on September 17, 2024.

On this date, you responded to a call in the area of 5750 North State Road 7 in reference to a request from Boca Raton Police Department to check for a missing person. Dispatch advised Boca PD was currently pinging the cell phone of the missing person as he posted a message of possible suicide on Instagram. Boca PD advised the male subject had a history of substance abuse and depression and they provided a vehicle description.

Upon arrival in the area, you located the vehicle in the parking lot of the Hampton Inn at 5740 North State Road 7 but the vehicle was unoccupied. Upon checking with the front desk, you learned he had checked in to a room. The male answered the door and seemed in disbelief that you found him. He admitted that his intention was to commit suicide this day and had planned to jump off the top of the hotel. He advised he was working up the courage to climb the stairs when you knocked. The male was transported to Fort Lauderdale Behavioral Center under Baker Act protocol.

If not for your immediate response and locating the missing person, he may have followed through his intentions and would not have survived.

For this, it is with great pride that I present you with the department's *Lifesaving Commendation Award*. On behalf of the Coconut Creek Police Department, I would like to extend to you our thanks for an outstanding job.

Sincerely,

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Chief of Police

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