#### ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT CORRESPONDENCE

To:	Chief	Gerald	S.	Mournin	g
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From: Deputy Chief Nicholas A. Pecora, Jr.

**Date:** August 2, 2017

Subject: Department recognition of 1 staff member and 4 citizens

Attached please find five awards recommended for presentation at the August 7, 2017 Village Board of Trustees meeting.

The first award is presented to Officer Adam Plawer for his actions in removing a motorist from a burning car after a traffic accident.

The next four awards are in recognition of the assistance rendered to a person attacked by another with a chain saw. Four employees of businesses adjacent to the crime scene acted in concert to rescue the victim and control the bleeding from a traumatic injury.

In addition to the certificates, there is a summary of each incident highlighting the efforts of the respective individuals who are worthy of our recognition.

NICHOLAS A. PECORA, JR. Deputy Chief of Police Administrate Services Division

#### **CERTIFICATE of APPRECIATION AWARD**

Presented to: Scott Frost

Mark Hewitt

Deborah Bauer

Valerie Valadez

Early in the afternoon of June 19<sup>th</sup>, multiple calls were received at the 911 center reporting a person being chased by another who was wielding a chainsaw. A significant number of Police and Fire Department personnel responded to an office complex on West Golf Road to investigate.

The victim had been brutally attacked in the parking lot. He suffered debilitating injuries from the chain saw. This violent act was witnessed by Scott Frost and Mark Hewitt. Fortunately, the chainsaw stalled and prevented further injury. Seizing the opportunity and without regard for their personal safety, both Mr. Frost and Mr. Hewitt exposed themselves to significant risk by pulling the victim away from the offender. The victim, who was bleeding profusely, was assisted to an area of shelter in a nearby office. There, Mr. Frost and Mr. Hewitt teamed with Deborah Bauer and Valerie Valadez to provide basic first aid. The four worked together to apply a tourniquet and pressure dressings all in an effort to control bleeding.

The collective selfless initiative by four local business employees was extraordinary. They acted without regard for their personal safety when a fellow human being was found in crisis.

This Certificate is hereby awarded to:

#### Deborah A. Bauer

In recognition of your assistance rendered to a critically injured person, you emergency first aid to the victim of a violent attack. The staff and officers of without reservation for personal safety, partnered with others to deliver the Arlington Heights Police Department Thank You for this selfless act provided to an individual in crisis.

Reference: 19 June 2017 Case No. 17-13524 Attempted Murder

Presented by Gerald Mourning, Chief of Police This 7<sup>th</sup> Day of August 2017 MM

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This Certificate is hereby awarded to:

# Valerie G. Valadez

In recognition of your assistance rendered to a critically injured person, you emergency first aid to the victim of a violent attack. The staff and officers of without reservation for personal safety, partnered with others to deliver the Arlington Heights Police Department Thank You for this selfless act provided to an individual in crisis.

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This Certificate is hereby awarded to:

#### Mark D. Hewitt

Arlington Heights Police Department Thank You for this selfless act provided In recognition of your assistance rendered to a critically injured person, you violent attack and initiated emergency first aid. The staff and officers of the without reservation for personal safety, provided shelter to the victim of a to an individual in crisis.

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This Certificate is hereby awarded to:

#### Scott C. Frost

Arlington Heights Police Department Thank You for this selfless act provided In recognition of your assistance rendered to a critically injured person, you violent attack and initiated emergency first aid. The staff and officers of the without reservation for personal safety, provided shelter to the victim of a to an individual in crisis.

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