

**Complimentary  
Letters and Awards**

**June 2013**

# Letter of Recognition

## Officer Karyn Suarez

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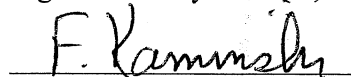
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You then began contacting medical facilities/physicians to see if the couple would need 24 hour care or could be left alone. You advised the couple that they may have to go to the hospital until a caregiver was found. They became very agitated and did not want to leave their residence. You and Officer Broderick were able to calm the couple down by explaining the situation. Social Worker Campbell was ultimately notified of the situation and was able to make arrangements with the couple's daughter to take care of her parents until a new caregiver could be located.

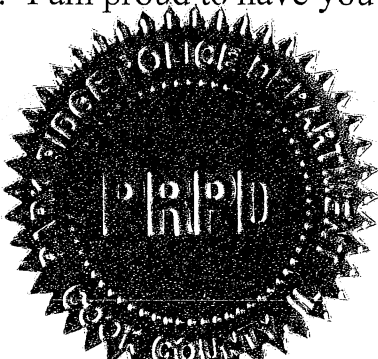
You should be commended for your excellent police work showing not only compassion, but also resourcefulness in a difficult and urgent situation. Because of your efforts, dedication and thoroughness the elderly couple was able to stay in their home and will hopefully be in good care soon. Your actions are a credit to the department. In addition, your work certainly reinforces our Mission/Value Statement. I appreciate all of your efforts.

On behalf of the Park Ridge Police Department, I commend you on a job well done! I am proud to have you as one of our officers.

Signed this day June 25, 2013



Frank Kaminski  
Chief of Police



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## Officer Jodi Broderick

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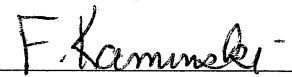
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You were then notified of the situation, dropped your personal matters and provided the couple and Officers with assistance. After arriving on scene and assessing the situation, you made numerous calls to Senior Care centers and to the Elder Abuse Hotline where you initiated a complaint against the daughter who is the POA. Ultimately, the daughter agreed to care for her parents until another caregiver was found.

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