

LAPEER
REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
A McLAREN HEALTH SERVICE

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Dale Kerbyson
Lapeer City Manager
576 Liberty Park
Lapeer, MI 48446

Dear Dale:

I wanted to share with you the outstanding work that was done on behalf of Lapeer Regional Medical Center by Chief Alexander and Det. Craig Gormly. We were recently involved in a very difficult situation in which the husband of a critically ill patient threatened to "kill" members of our staff. Within minutes of my phone call to Chief Alexander, he had Det. Gormly on site taking statements. Det. Gormly was professional, caring, and insightful in his investigation. He then proceeded to work with our staff to make them feel safe and protected. All the while, Chief Alexander was behind the scenes working with the prosecutor's office and reporting back to me as issues unfolded.

The perpetrator was eventually arrested and his premises were searched uncovering several weapons, including an assault rifle. Once the perpetrator was released from jail, Chief Alexander and Det. Gormly worked closely with me and our staff to help ensure the safety of our employees. Their work was tireless and their support for our facility was unconditionally available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Chief Alexander even availed himself for a conference call on Saturday morning.

Det. Gormly was able to create a relationship with the perpetrator that allowed us to help facilitate a productive meeting, which Chief Alexander attended, that resulted in a meaningful resolution for the suffering wife. I was both proud and humbled by the outstanding and professional work that was exhibited by these two exemplary employees of the City of Lapeer. Please extend my thanks to the City Council for their continued support, the extraordinary leadership of our Police Department, and the stellar work of Det. Gormly.

Please call me if you want to discuss the matter further. Thanks,

Sincerely,



Barton P. Buxton
President & Chief Executive Officer

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CC: City Council