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Chief Daniel Hoffman
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Ref: Letter of Appreciation

Dear Chief Hoffman,

I wanted to take an opportunity to extend our gratitude to your department, and in particular Sergeant Jim Liepins #111. On December 8, 2015 our Agency fielded a complaint regarding a student at Marmion Military Academy making a threat of harm against the school. Det. Lee Catavu requested that Campton Hills respond to the residence of the student to assess the voracity of the threat.

Sgt. Liepins contacted Det. Catavu and relayed that he had met with the student and his family, spoke with them at great length, and determined the remark was made sarcastically and out of frustration. Sgt. Liepins also determined that the weapons in the household were secured and inaccessible to the child. Sgt. Liepins noted airsoft weapons and had the parents secure those as well.

This matter successfully resolved because of the effort of Sgt. Liepins. Marmion Academy Administrators were contacted and reassured, based largely on Sgt. Liepins diligence. Please extend our gratitude to Sgt. Liepins for going above and beyond in assisting us on this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kristen L. Ziman", followed by the number "#926".

Kristen L. Ziman
Acting Chief of Police