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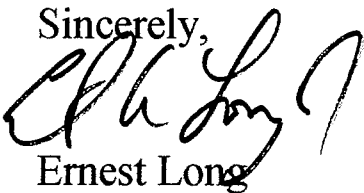
Laura Passanessi
Martin County Sheriffs Office
FCPA Awards
800 SE Monterey Blvd
Stuart, Fl. 34994

Laura,

I would like to nominate Ellen and Larry Tornberg for Crime Prevention Volunteer of the year, for the Florida Crime Prevention Association. Larry and Ellen arrived at our station ten years ago and told me they wanted to volunteer. Allowing them the opportunity to volunteer has paid off for our agency in ways too valuable to calculate. They have volunteered with enthusiasm and dedication to the idea that Prevention works. Larry and Ellen have learned Crime Prevention as they performed their duties. They have arrived early, worked late and performed any duties assigned to them in an outstanding manner. Since they started their service they have taken on Child Fingerprinting duties to the extent that they can work unsupervised, they have become experts on the crime prevention function and know the crime prevention tips better than most of our officers. Without their efforts the Annual Food Drive would have failed many years ago but their enthusiasm and energy is contagious and just their presence at an event makes any event better.

Larry and Ellen work directly for the Crime Prevention Coordinator and after all these years are expected to be seen at every event the City is involved with. Any time the Crime Prevention Unit is out on the street the husband wife team of Larry and Ellen are present. Since they started they have worked in excess of 1000 hours for the Aventura Police Department. The last few years have seen Larry and Ellen working the Police Officer Assistance Trust Table representing the Aventura Police. In addition to their duties for Aventura they also donate their time to the Attorney Generals Seniors vs. Crime Program and have been instrumental in helping seniors in our area who have been victims of crime. When no one else is available the Tornbergs are there raising the bar for the rest of us. I only wish that there were more people like the Tornbergs ready and willing to volunteer their time for the Crime Prevention efforts of every agency. Larry and Ellen have donated their time without reward and this year accumulated 200 plus hours of service. For this reason and countless more I nominate Larry and Ellen Tornberg for Volunteer of the year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ernest Long". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "E" and "L".

Ernest Long

Crime Prevention Coordinator
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Ms. Laura Passanessi
Florida Crime Prevention Association
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Winter Garden, Florida 34787

Dear Ms. Passanessi

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter in support of Larry & Ellen Tornberg for consideration of the prestigious Crime Prevention Volunteer of the year award.

Larry and Ellen have been a part of our family for the past ten years. From the first day they walked into our station they have worked like ever ready bunnies assisting us in every endeavor. The word "no" or "we can't help" just does not exist in their vocabulary.

As you are well aware of its volunteers like that of Larry and Ellen that help sustain any governmental institution and without their help many programs would fall by the wayside.

The dedication and unselfish giving of their time should not go unnoticed and they are truly deserving of the distinction of being the Crime Preventions Volunteers of the Year.

Respectfully submitted

Captain William "Skip" Washa Jr.
Specialized Services Division Commander