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Chad Scott  
Chief of Police  
City of Alachua  
P.O. Box 9  
Alachua, Florida 32616

Re: Commendation for Officer C. Newsome

Dear Chief Scott,

On April 12, 2017, my husband, Bryan Murnahan suffered a medical emergency while driving his vehicle on Hwy 441 in Alachua. Officer Newsome observed Bryan's actions and immediately realized the need for emergency medical services. As a result of receiving immediate medical attention, Bryan has fully recovered from this event and is enjoying returning to a normal life and work. His attending doctors and nurses have praised his miraculous recovery and stated that immediate intervention was very instrumental in his recovery. The Murnahan family is very thankful for God's hands on Officer Newsome that day. I had referred to him as "the angel in the patrol car" previous to finding out this fine officer's name.

The Murnahan family would like to acknowledge and commend Officer Newsome for his actions, care and concern of a citizen in a crisis event on that day. The phone call I received on that day was such a shock, and it all happened so fast that I couldn't remember the officer's name. He was very calm and reassuring on the phone and handled the remaining issues (i.e., the truck Bryan was driving, calling Bryan's work, etc.) in such a way that only an experienced professional would have done and allowed us to focus on being at Bryan's side.

It is our hope that Officer Newsome is presented with a proclamation from the Alachua City Commission or an appropriate recognition for his actions, as they are a positive reflection on the Alachua Police Department.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
  
The Murnahan Family

cc: Mayor Gib Coerper