## PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

RIC L. BRADSHAW, SHERIFF





LT. ELI SHAIVITZ
DISTRICT 8 - WELLINGTON

April 30, 2015

**Public Safety Committee** 

Re: Deputy Scott Poritz Nomination

I would like to nominate Deputy Scott Poritz for Wellington's Top Cop.

For the last two years Deputy Poritz has filled the Community Policing and Crime Prevention position. This is a unique job that requires skills beyond what is expected of a deputy sheriff. He is my "go-to" person and I'm always sending him unusual or complicated assignments. Here are some highlights:

<u>Village Liaison</u>: Deputy Poritz communicates directly with Village staff for needs, questions, resources, and special events. Special events most often involve road closures and requests for PBSO specialty vehicles or units, all of which Deputy Poritz handles. He will also attend most of these events where his level of responsibility exceeds that of a deputy.

<u>Citizen Observer Patrol</u>: Deputy Poritz is the liaison between our COP Units and their chain-of-command based in Community Services. He is always working to make things better for the volunteers since they are providing a service for free. COP volunteers sometimes have issues after hours and they can always count on Deputy Poritz for assistance. He was recently recognized at the annual volunteer awards for his exceptional service to the program.

<u>Crime Watch</u>: Deputy Poritz is the liaison for Wellington's 20 neighborhood Crime Watch groups. This is the highest number of Crime Watch groups ever and credit goes to Deputy Poritz and the Safe Neighborhoods Office. Deputy Poritz attends most Crime Watch meetings and is on-call for all of the Crime Watch Captains.

<u>Holiday Parade</u>: For the past two years Deputy Poritz has taken the lead on the Wellington Holiday Parade. This massive effort includes months of preparation, numerous meetings, large-scale mapping, and the recruitment and placement of over 50 PBSO personnel. Deputy Poritz performs this task at the caliber and quality of a sergeant.

Relay for Life: Deputy Poritz was the chairperson for the Cancer Society's Relay for Life here in Wellington. This was a year-long planned event that included other pre-fundraising such as a bowling and golf tournaments. These efforts raised over \$45,000.

Lastly, I would like to mention that Deputy Poritz works without direct supervision and is never the subject of any complaints. He is an exceptional employee and I am honored to make this nomination.

Respectfully,

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