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Jerry L. Narsh, Chief of Police



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President Jim Tignanelli Police Officers Association of Michigan 27056 Joy Road Redford, MI 48239

Dear President Tignanelli,

There have been nearly 600 Law Enforcement Officers killed in the line of duty in Michigan to date. These officers should never be forgotten. Michigan is one of a few states that does not have a memorial to our fallen heroes on the capitol grounds. The plans have been made, but now it's time to fund it. The memorial first commissioned in 2004, broke ground in 2006, but has yet to be built. It is time to get our fallen officers honored. We need to see that they are not forgotten. There will be the names of many of our friends on these sentinels.

Governor Snyder's pledge to match donations up to \$2Million has been reached, but we are still a bit short of the final goal. To help get us over the top, we are hosting a "Stars for Heroes" event in Oxford at Legacy 925, on August 11, 2018. It will be a night of dining, dancing, music, and games. The flyer attached, or the website linked, has all the info you need to participate. If you have any questions, comments or need more information, don't hesitate to reach out to me or any one of the event co-chairs. Sponsorships are available and corporate donations are truly welcome. I hope to see you at this fun event! But if you can't make it, on our website is a place for you to donate as well. As a government foundation, your donations are tax deductible.

My thought in inviting your organization is obvious, these fallen Heroes deserve a place of honor and recognition. I am asking that you consider purchasing a table and sending one or two representatives from your organization and donating the remaining seats to police officers who would like to attend. We are partners in public safety, and more importantly we are joined together in preserving the pride and dignity of the amazing men and women who risk all in this noble profession.

With all my heart, I am grateful to those who wear this uniform and take an oath to Protect and Serve. And I pray we never have to see their names on this memorial.

Thank you for considering,

Jerry L. Narsh, Chief of Police

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