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Good morning,

I wanted to write and commend Office DeLeon for his work, empathy and diligence this morning.

Early this morning I woke up to a text message and email from a childhood best friend that she was taking her life. The unfortunate part was that we only talk every few months or so, and I live in Fort Pierce Florida and she lives in New York or so I thought.

Initially, I contacted the Suffolk county police Dept in New York and they were not helpful. They stated that I had to contact the police department here in Fort Pierce where I lived because that is where the situation occurred. I called 911 and that is when Officer DeLeon reached out to me. Between numerous phone calls back and forth and hours he spent trying to find my friend and her whereabouts he was able to locate an address. Luckily my friend did not take her life. My friend resides in Virginia, and Officer DeLeon was able to reach out to her ex-husband in order to find her address. His diligent work and helpfulness helped in making sure my friend was in fact alive. I want to commend him for his hard work which is taken for granted or unnoticed in a cops life, as it should be rewarded. I am very thankful that he took the time and effort, whereas the Suffolk County Police Dept did not want to help at all.

I just wanted to let you know about this, as I feel it is important for him to be recognized. If you would like to discuss this further please feel free to reach out to me.

Thank you,

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