



April 13, 2010

Gerald Mourning, Chief of Police
Arlington Heights Village Hall
33 S. Arlington Heights Rd.
Arlington Heights, IL 60005

Dear Chief Mourning:

We are writing this letter to let you know about the kindness, as well as the helpfulness, of Officer Piotr Gacek of the Patrol Bureau. Last night, (April 12, 2010) we were driving along Rand Road and our car suddenly stopped, leaving us stranded on a dark road late at night. Like an angel, Officer Gacek appeared to help us. Not only did he call a tow truck for us and for a cab for our elderly friends, but he stayed with us until that truck came for us and, much later, that cab for our friends. We are extremely grateful and want you to know about it.

Sincerely,



P.S.

I guess we're considered elderly, too! We are in our early
seventys and our friends are in their late eighties.

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DEAR CITIZEN PELORA, 12-21-21
THANK YOU FOR SENDING THE MOTOR UNIT TO
THE FUNERAL PROCESSIONS FOR OFC NICK KOZAK
AND OFC. JOSE FLORES. THEIR PRESENCE
WAS APPRECIATED AND THEY WERE A BIG
HELP WITH TRAFFIC CONTROL DURING OFC.
KOZAK'S PROCESSION AS WE TRAVELLED
FROM VILLA PARK TO ELWOOD.

Thank you, AGAIN,
SINCERELY

BUFFALO GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Steven R. Casstevens, CPC
Chief of Police



December 16, 2021

Chief Nicholas Pecora
Arlington Heights Police Department
200 E. Sigwalt St.
Arlington Heights, IL 60005

Chief Pecora,

On Thursday, December 2, 2021, Buffalo Grove Police Officers were dispatched to a man with a gun call in the parking lot near Radcliff and Boxwood. The responding officers were informed by dispatch that the person had guns and was firing rounds. Officers stopped the threat and immediately provided medical aid to the individual until the paramedics arrived.

On behalf of the Buffalo Grove Police Department's men and women, I wish to convey my gratitude to Sergeant Gacek, Officer Utterback, Officer B. Parkison, Officer Howard, Officer Topczyklo, Officer Johanson, Officer C. Parkison, Officer Dinov, Officer Butler and K9 partner Argos, Officer Pena, and your department for their assistance provided during this incident. The support, dedication, and professionalism displayed were indicative of their commitment to law enforcement and the community they serve.

We are grateful for the continued support and collaboration provided to us by your department, and please extend our gratitude to your officers.

Sincerely,

Steven Casstevens
Chief of Police

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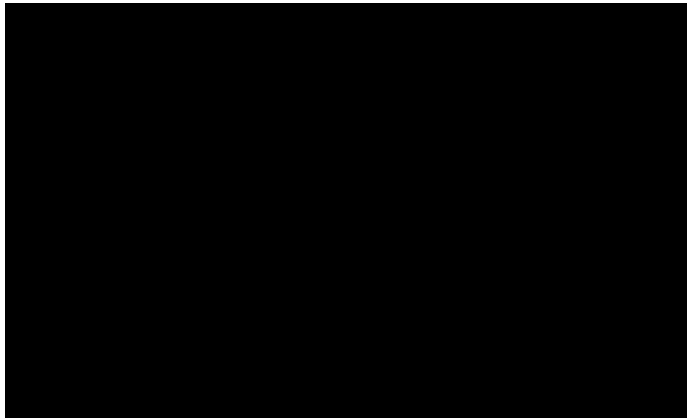
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Chief of Police
Village of Arlington Heights
200 East Sigwalt
Arlington Heights, Ill. 60005

My husband joins me in
praising Officer PIOTR GACEK.
The car we were riding came
to a complete stop on Grand
Road about 10:30 on the rainy
night of Monday April 12th. The
driver was unaware of what
to have to get in touch with
a tow truck company. Officer
Gacek's flashing lights were
a blessing to us in our
predicament. He called full-
side towing. He also called a
cab for my husband and
me since the truck could
carry only two extra people.
It took longer for the cab

to arrive than the tow
truck. Officer Gacek
had us stay with him
until a cab arrived.
We are so very thankful
for the help and kindness
shown to our driver, his
wife and





U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

2111 West Roosevelt Road
Chicago, Illinois 60608

June 9, 2021

Chief Nicholas Pecora
Arlington Heights Police Department
200 E. Sigwalt Street
Arlington Heights, IL 60005

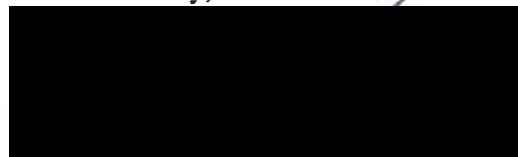
Dear Chief Pecora:

On behalf of the Chicago Division of the FBI, I would like to commend Sergeant Piotr Gacek, Detective Andrew Gatz and Officer Jessica Chojnowski of the Arlington Heights Police Department for the outstanding assistance they provided to our North Resident Agency office.

In January 2021, the FBI was investigating an active kidnapping matter in Mexico and needed to interview the prime suspect, but was having difficulty locating her. She lived in Arlington Heights and did not speak English. On very short notice, AHPD officers assisted in locating the suspect as she arrived home. They immediately called the agents, spoke with her and waited at her apartment for agents to arrive. AHPD was integral in conducting interviews, providing Spanish translation and cell phone extraction and analysis.

Please pass along our appreciation for their quick, professional assistance for a job well done. The Chicago FBI greatly values its relationship with the Arlington Heights Police Department, and looks forward to continued collaboration.

Sincerely,



SAC Emmerson Buie Jr.
Special Agent in Charge

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT
DISTINGUISHED
PERFORMANCE CITATION

This Certificate is hereby awarded to:

Officer Piotr Gacek #306

*In recognition of your attention to duty, in keeping
with the quality of performance and high standards
of a professional police officer.*

*Reference: 27 December 2008
Case No. 08-29301
Attempted Homicide*

*Presented by Sergeant Richard Gausselin
This 13th Day of January 2009*



ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT
DISTINGUISHED
PERFORMANCE CITATION

This Certificate is hereby awarded to:

Officer Piotr J. Gacek #306

*In recognition of your attention to duty, in keeping
with the quality of performance and high standards
of a professional police officer.*

*Reference: 14 December 2008
Case No. 08-28260
Burglary from Motor Vehicle*

*Presented by Sergeant Thomas Boggs
This 6th Day of January 2009*



ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT
***DISTINGUISHED PERFORMANCE
CITATION***

This Certificate is hereby awarded to:

Sergeant Piotr Gacek #578

*In recognition of leadership and composure in the
face of adversity, you successfully managed a
complex fire scene and arson investigation.*

Case No. 22-000427
Arson


Presented by Commander Christopher Sefton
February 18, 2022

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT
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This Certificate is hereby awarded to:

Officer Piotr Gacek #306

*In recognition of your attention to duty, in keeping
with the quality of performance and high standards
of a professional police officer.*

*Reference: 22 October 2009
Case No.09-19520
Aggravated Robbery*

*Presented by Sergeant Thomas Seleski
This 29th Day of October 2009*



ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT
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This Certificate is hereby awarded to:

Officer Piotr Gacek #306

*In recognition of your attention to duty, in keeping
with the quality of performance and high standards
of a professional police officer.*

*Reference: 22 October 2009
Case No.09-22719
Attempt Murder*

*Presented by Sergeant Thomas Boggs
This 26th Day of October 2009*



ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Honorable Mention

PRESENTED TO.....

Investigator Piotr Gacek, #306

FOR.....

Participation in an extensive and exhaustive search effort for a missing and endangered resident of Arlington Heights. These efforts demonstrated true teamwork, professionalism and unwavering dedication to the Village of Arlington Heights, the Arlington Heights Police Department and the citizens who which we serve.

Thanks for a job well done!



Gerald S. Mourning
Chief of Police

[Redacted Signature]
Deputy Chief Mark Recker
Patrol Bureau

Case No. 18-11689

AWARD

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT

***DISTINGUISHED
PERFORMANCE CITATION***

This Certificate is hereby awarded to:

Detective Piotr Gacek, #306

*In recognition of your dedication and attention to
duty, you were instrumental in the investigation
and subsequent dismantling of the [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]*

*Reference: 11 June 2012 – 07 November 2012
Case No. 12-17135
Unlawful Possession with Intent to deliver Cocaine*

*Presented by Captain Richard W. Niedrich
This 18th Day of January 2013*

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT

COMMENDATION

This Certificate is hereby awarded to:

Detective Piotr Gacek, #306

In recognition of your outstanding dedication and attention to duty, you were instrumental in the arrest of two offenders who were responsible for financial crimes that exceeded \$20,000.

*Reference: 04 March 2013
Case No. 13-03853
Counterfeiting Credit Cards*

*Presented by Captain Richard W. Niedrich
This 19th Day of February 2014*



ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Honorable Mention

PRESENTED TO

Investigator Piotr Gacek #306

Criminal Investigation Bureau

FOR

A collaborative operation to combat individuals patronizing prostitution

Investigator Piotr Gacek along with members of the Criminal Investigation Bureau and Patrol participated in two separate operations targeting those using in-call prostitution. Combined efforts resulted in the arrest of eleven suspects who were charged with a crime involving sex-for-money.



Gerald S. Mourning
Chief of Police

Due to Investigator Gacek's participatory action and astute attention to duty, efforts to reduce criminal activity in Arlington Heights yielded positive results.

Presented by *Deputy Chief Miguel Hernandez*

This 28th Day of August 2015

Criminal Investigation Bureau

Reference: *Cook County Day of the Johns*

Case No. *N/A*

AWARD

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Honorable Mention

PRESENTED TO

Detective Piotr Gacek #306

Criminal Investigations Bureau

FOR

Your attention to duty and meticulous investigative efforts.

In recognition of your attention to duty, determination and unwavering dedication to the apprehension of a violent criminal offender responsible for a Home Invasion/Aggravated Criminal Sexual Assault.



Gerald S. Mourning
Chief of Police

Detective Piotr Gacek's considerable support, attention to duty and meticulous investigative efforts were exemplified in the investigation.

Presented by *Sergeant Joseph Pinnello*

This 25th Day of April 2016

Criminal Investigation Bureau

Reference: Home Invasion/Criminal Sexual Assault

Case No. 14-18362

AWARD

**ARLINGTON HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT
DISTINGUISHED
PERFORMANCE CITATION**

This Certificate is hereby awarded to:

Officer Piotr Gacek #306

*In recognition of your attention to duty, in keeping
with the quality of performance and high standards
of a professional police officer.*

*Reference: 23 September 2011
Case No.11-19660
Battery*

*Presented by Sergeant Thomas Boggs
This 4th of October 2011*

