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Police Officer Michael Skinner
Sarasota Police Officers Association, #6045
C/O President Eric Urbain
952 Springwood Circle
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Dear Police Officer Skinner:

I write to you today as President of the International Union of Police Associations to commend you on your valiant lifesaving actions on May 3, 2024.

You responded to a distress call regarding an unmanned vessel circling in the water near Channel Marker 72. Upon arrival, you observed an unconscious man on the deck of the boat and that the boat was spinning out of control.

You expertly intercepted the boat, wedging it against the seawall with your boat, climbing onboard, and shutting down the engine. Sarasota County Fire Rescue was on standby at the seawall and because of your actions, they were able to provide medical aid that saved his life.

On behalf of the whole of the I.U.P.A., you have our thanks and commendation for your exemplary service. You are a true hero and a reminder of why officers put on their uniforms each and every day.

Fraternally,


Sam A. Cabral
International President