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Chief Robert Burgess
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RE: Sgt. John R. Gardner and the Strategic Accident Reduction Team
Letter of Appreciation

Dear Chief Burgess:

I would like to take a few minutes out of your busy schedule to bring to your attention the excellent program that was provided by Sergeant Gardner and members of the Strategic Accident Reduction Team concerning field sobriety testing. Myself and a number of judges from this office had the pleasure to attend this program.

Having been a certified professional lecturer through POST for a number of years, let me say that this was one of the best programs that I have encountered in this area. The subject matter was professionally presented, concise, and germane to the issues at hand.

In a chain of command structure such as yours, it is said that those throughout the chain of command are a direct reflection of their superiors. I can tell you that in all of my dealings with Sergeant Gardner and the Strategic Accident Reduction Team that reflection has always been a very positive and professional one.

A number of the judges at this office who missed this program have expressed interest in attending another session should one be provided. Hopefully, this may be a possibility sometime in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David C. Langston".

David C. Langston
Administrative Law Judge

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