



CITY OF DORAL Office of the City Manager Letter to Council

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To: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Edward A. Rojas, City Manager

Date: August 13, 2018

Subject: **2018 IACP/Target Police Officer of the Year Award**

This Letter to Council (LTC) is to inform the Mayor and City Council-members of the selection of Doral Police Department (DPD) Sergeant Luis Celis as a finalist for the 2018 IACP/Target Police Officer of the Year Award.

The DPD is honored to announce that Sergeant Luis Celis has been selected as a finalist for the 2018 IACP/Target Police Officer of the Year Award. This award recognizes exemplary performance in the policing profession and acknowledges the bravery and heroism displayed by law enforcement professionals around the globe.

While there were many deserving of this award, only four acts of heroism were selected. The winner of the IACP/Target Police Officer of the Year Award will be announced at the IACP Foundation Gala at the IACP Annual Conference and Exposition in Orlando, Florida on Saturday, October 6, 2018. The finalists are:

- **Sergeant Luis Celis** of the Doral, Florida, Police Department played a key role in stopping an active shooter incident at the Trump National Doral Resort when he pursued and apprehended the shooter.
- **Officer Taylor S. Rust** of the Plano, Texas, Police Department saved the lives of four civilians when responding to shots fired in a residential neighborhood.

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- **Trooper Nathaniel Dawson** of the Washington State Patrol was involved in a high speed vehicle pursuit of two armed suspects leading to the confrontation and eventual capture of the suspects.
- **Officer Mark A. Dallas** of the Dixon, Illinois, Police Department stopped an active shooter in a high school before the suspect could harm any of the students.

The DPD will update the Mayor and City Council with the results of the award ceremony.

Attachments (1)

c: Albert P. Childress, Deputy City Manager
 Hernan M. Organvidez, Chief of Police