Commendation



LIFE SAVING

LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

On January 16, 2021 at 12:21 AM, Officer Gill responded to the Arcola Road Bridge for a report of a suspicious male sitting on the edge of the bridge possibly intoxicated. Upon arrival, Officer Gill located the male and attempted to engage him in conversation. The male ignored Officer Gill and continued to stare downwards to the creek below. Based on his training and experience, Officer Gill had reasonable knowledge to believe that the male was contemplating suicide. He immediately requested a water rescue unit to be placed on standby and continued to engage the male in conversation. After several minutes, the male began to respond to Officer Gill, who developed a good rapport with him. Officer Gill was able to talk the male into coming down from the ledge and got him safely into his patrol vehicle without incident. Officer Gill continued to talk with this male and transported him to Montgomery County Emergency Services where he would be able to get proper care. Throughout this entire call, Officer Gill used his training and calm demeanor to save this man's life.

Your actions in this incident represent an outstanding accomplishment in the protection and preservation of life. You are to be congratulated for your performance and the professional manner in which you conducted yourself in this matter. As a result, you are being awarded this Life Saving Commendation in conformance with General Order 303 on this 18th day of February 2021.

By order of,

Michael Jackson Chief of Police