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LCSO Reserve Deputy Named National Reserve Deputy of the Year

The Leon County Sheriff's Office is honored to announce Captain James "Jimmy" Goodman as the winner of the National Sheriffs' Association's Reserve Deputy of the Year Award for 2020. This award was established to recognize a volunteer reserve or auxiliary deputy who has made significant contributions to law enforcement in his/her agency or to the law enforcement community. The award was established by the NSA Reserve Law Enforcement Officer Committee in 2013 and awarded on a yearly basis.

Captain Goodman started his service to Leon County in 1992 as a full-time deputy sheriff. During his career, Captain Goodman worked in various assignments including Uniform Patrol, Narcotics, K-9, Field Training Officer, and as a School Resource Officer until he retired from full time service in September of 2012. Upon retirement, Captain Goodman immediately joined the Reserve Posse of the Leon County Sheriff's Office and currently serves as an Intelligence Analyst within LCSO's Real Time Crime Center.

In September 2013, he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in the Reserve Posse. As Lieutenant, he donated numerous hours ensuring the unit always operated at peak efficiency. He continued serving in this capacity until being promoted to Captain in November 2018. As Captain of the Reserve Posse, Goodman works more than 40 events in the community annually, including the Red Hills Horse Trials, Springtime Tallahassee, Florida State University football games, and many other area events requiring law enforcement. He also assisted as a bailiff in the Leon County Court House, a School Resource Deputy, Uniform Patrol, and in the Traffic Unit. Overall, he has donated more than 1,200 hours this year.

Captain Goodman has volunteered with the American Cancer Society since 1998 and has served as team captain for the Leon County Sheriff's Office for Relay for Life. After Hurricane Michael in 2018, Goodman also assisted surrounding counties during disaster relief efforts by collecting food, cleaning supplies, fuel, and other necessities to donate to these hard-hit communities.

Captain Goodman uses his talents to assist others and has done so his entire career. "This constant dedication demonstrates the level of pride and sense of service Captain Goodman has shown and perfectly illustrates what it means to truly be "ALLin," said Sheriff Walt McNeil.

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