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Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards

Commission Resolution 2014-05
Resolution to Honor Fallen Firefighter Gerald Wetherell
And Extend Public Safety Officer Benefits

WHEREAS, the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards is the duly appointed body of state government providing for the training and licensure of Michigan law enforcement officers; and,

WHEREAS, Firefighter Gerald Wetherell served as a volunteer fireman in the State of Michigan for a period of 36 years with the Denton Township Fire Department; and,

WHEREAS, Firefighter Gerald Wetherell was a trained Emergency Medical Technician who worked for the Denton Township Ambulance Service; and,

WHEREAS, Firefighter Gerald Wetherell was a decorated public servant who was dedicated to preserving public safety and performing his duties in an exemplary manner; and,

WHEREAS, Firefighter Gerald Wetherell, devoted to his family, was married for 57 years to his wife, Alice, the father of two daughters, grandfather of five and great grandfather of six children; and,

WHEREAS, Firefighter Gerald Wetherell suffered a fatal heart attack while responding to an emergency call for service involving a snowmobile accident with injuries; and,

WHEREAS, the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, on behalf of all Michigan public safety officers, expresses profound sympathy to the family, fellow firefighters, friends, and loved ones of Gerald R. Wetherell.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards pay their highest tribute to the service and sacrifice of Firefighter Gerald R. Wetherell; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all eligible benefits provided through the Public Safety Officer Benefits Act shall be extended to the survivors of Firefighter Gerald R. Wetherell.

Unanimously adopted by the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards on June 18, 2014

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