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Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards

Commission Resolution 2017-04  
Resolution to Honor Fallen Harrison Township  
Fire Fighter Lieutenant Andrew B. Russell  
And Extend Public Safety Officer Benefits

**WHEREAS**, the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards is the duly appointed body of state government conferred with the authority to administer the Michigan Public Safety Officers Benefit; and,

**WHEREAS**, Andrew Russell was a Firefighter with the Clinton Fire Department, the Pittsfield Charter Township Department of Public Safety, and most recently serving twenty years with the Harrison Township Fire Department where he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in 2015; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Andrew Russell was a dedicated public servant who performed his duties in a manner that has brought honor to the entire public safety profession; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Andrew Russell's commitment to excellence was evidenced by two Fire Commendations and two Life Saving Awards bestowed upon him by the Harrison Township Fire Department; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Andrew Russell demonstrated commitment and care in the exercise of his duties and was an eager protector of the public, demonstrated by his dedication to the communities he served; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Andrew Russell sustained an in the line of duty injury which ultimately resulted in the loss of his life; and,

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Andrew Russell, devoted to his family, was married to his wife Clara, the father of Eli, Adam and Erin, beloved son, brother, uncle, friend, artist, Knights of Columbus member, mentor to many; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, on behalf of all Michigan public safety officers, expresses profound sympathy to the family, fellow public safety officers, friends, and loved ones of Lieutenant Andrew Russell.

**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 Lieutenant Andrew Russell; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all eligible benefits provided through the Public Safety Officer Benefits Act shall be extended to the survivors of Lieutenant Andrew B. Russell.

*Unanimously adopted by the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards on April 19, 2017.*

  
Michael Wendling, Chair