

Commission Resolution 2021-06 Resolution to Honor Michigan Department of Corrections Sgt. Donnise Gooden And Extend Public Safety Officer Benefits

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

WHEREAS, Donnise Gooden proudly served as a Corrections Officer with the Michigan Department of Corrections for 20 years; and,

WHEREAS, Michigan Department of Corrections Officer Donnise Gooden was a dedicated public servant who performed her duties in a manner that has brought honor to the entire law enforcement profession; and,

WHEREAS, Corrections Officer Gooden was dedicated to her community, evidenced by her charitable work with various organizations, and serving on the MDOC Employee Engagement Committee; and,

WHEREAS, Michigan Department of Corrections Officer Donnise Gooden has demonstrated commitment and care in the exercise of her duties and was an eager protector of the public, demonstrated by her commitment to public service to the Citizens of the State of Michigan; and,

WHEREAS, Corrections Officer Donnise Gooden, devoted to her family, was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother; and,

WHEREAS, the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, on behalf of all Michigan public safety officers, expresses profound sympathy to the family, fellow corrections officers, friends, and loved ones of Corrections Officer Donnise Gooden; and,

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 Michigan Corrections Officer Donnise Gooden; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all eligible benefits provided through the Public Safety Officer Benefits Act shall be extended to the survivors of Michigan Department of Corrections Officer Donnise Gooden.

Unanimously adopted by the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards on September 15, 2021.

David E. Molloy, Chair