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Recognizes Michael Huber as First Responder of the Year

Madison – Yesterday, Representative Nancy VanderMeer (R-Tomah) presented Michael R. Huber, of the Town of Burns, with the 2023 First Responder of the Year Award on behalf of the 70th Assembly District during a State Assembly Floor Session. Michael currently serves the Coulee Region and 70th Assembly District with honor and distinction as an Ambulance Director and Critical Care Paramedic with the Sparta Area Ambulance Service and as a Base Lead and Flight Paramedic with Gundersen MedLink AIR.

“One of the reasons I thought that Michael was deserving of this year’s award is because he currently balances two important and unique first responder roles that each include a high degree of responsibility. I believe that Michael is the exact type of individual that my friends and neighbors would want to assist them or their family members in times of need, and I’m extremely pleased to honor him with this year’s award. Additionally, I know that Michael is extremely passionate about his profession and striving to help and serve others, as I’ve come to learn from several recent conversations related to policy matters that have been presented to me in my role,” VanderMeer shared.

The Wisconsin State Assembly “First Responder of the Year” award was created in 2019 to recognize the brave men and women who serve in emergency services. State representatives from each legislative district seek nominations from their communities and select one individual who best exemplifies community service, selflessness and dedication. Along with providing each award recipient with a legislative citation recognizing their achievement, the state Assembly also passed a resolution declaring October 17th First Responders Appreciation Day.

An excerpt from Mr. Huber’s legislative citation states:

‘Michael has honorably served the Coulee Region and 70th Assembly District for over 15 years, has obtained numerous certifications and credentials to better serve his community, including Tactical EMS Certification, Flight Paramedic Certification, Outdoor Emergency Care Technician, among others, has helped and currently trains existing and future first responders as an instructor at Western Technical College, is a Sparta Rotary Member and also serves his community on councils and commissions.’

Representative VanderMeer also conveyed and highlighted her support for all the first responders in and around the 70th Assembly District and thanked them and their support teams, including their families, for their service and sacrifice to individuals and families in their local communities.

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The 70th Assembly District includes portions of Monroe, Jackson, Portage and Wood counties