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A True Hometown Hero: Kathy Brockman

Rep. Steineke Presents Freedom EMS Chief with First Responder of the Year Award

MADISON – State Representative Jim Steineke (R-Kaukauna) officially presented Kathy Brockman with the 5th Assembly District’s “First Responder of the Year” award last night during a Freedom Town Board meeting. Brockman was selected for the award back in October and was honored in a public ceremony on the state Assembly floor later that month.

“Kathy is the definition of a citizen-leader,” Rep. Steineke said. “She noticed a need in her community and used her extensive medical training to fill that void.”

Brockman helped found the Freedom First Responders – a group that provides emergency medical services to area residents in need. Brockman logged over 20 years of service with the force, responding to hundreds of calls and serving as EMS chief for several years. During her tenure, Brockman helped modernize the team with new equipment and best practices, including pushing the township to get an ATV and requiring all members to carry EPI pens and AEDS. Brockman has also worked as a nurse and taught babysitting classes for many years.

“Our community is safer thanks to Kathy’s leadership,” Rep. Steineke concluded. “She is very deserving of this recognition and serves as a great model for EMS personnel across the state.”

The “First Responder of the Year” award was created in 2019 to honor the brave men and women who serve in our 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. Recipients receive a legislative citation from the state Assembly recognizing their achievements.

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Representative Steineke serves as the Assembly Majority Leader in addition to representing Wisconsin’s 5th Assembly District, which includes parts of Brown and Outagamie counties.

[A photo of Rep. Steineke presenting Kathy with the award can be found here.](#)