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## Rep. Rodriguez Recognizes Captain Daniel Fournier as First Responder of the Year

**MADISON** – State Representative Jessie Rodriguez (R-Oak Creek) presented Captain Daniel Fournier of the South Milwaukee Police Department (SMPD) with the First Responder of the Year Award during the Assembly Floor Session on Tuesday afternoon.

"Captain Fournier has been serving the City of South Milwaukee with honor and distinction as a law enforcement officer for 16 years. Today, he's responsible for overseeing SMPD's Investigations Bureau, Clerical Staff, and the Police and Fire Dispatch Center. It's my honor to present Captain Fournier with the First Responder of the Year award today to commemorate his dedicated service to our community," said Rodriguez.

The Wisconsin Assembly honored Captain Fournier and the other award recipients from around the state. Captain Fournier came to Madison with his wife, Samantha, and their two children to receive the honor.

"Captain Fournier has been a great leader in the community, spearheading the South Milwaukee Police Department's initiative to add a K9 unit to the force. It's because of Captain Fournier's leadership that South Milwaukee PD welcomed Rocket to the department in April," added Rep. Rodriguez.

Assembly Speaker Robin Vos (R-Rochester) created the First Responder of the Year Award in 2019 to honor first responders from around the state for their outstanding service to their communities. Along with providing each award recipient with a legislative citation recognizing their achievement, the Assembly also passed a resolution declaring October 17<sup>th</sup> 'First Responders Appreciation Day' in Wisconsin.

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