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67th Assembly District First Responder of the Year: Elizabeth Gustavson *Bloomer Community Ambulance Advanced EMT Distinctive Honor*

Madison – Yesterday, in a public ceremony, the Wisconsin State Assembly recognized outstanding First Responders from across the state and presented each award recipient with a legislative citation. Rep. Rob Summerfield (R-Bloomer), after seeking and receiving many nominations, named Bloomer Community Ambulance Advanced EMT Elizabeth Gustavson as the recipient of the 67th Assembly District First Responder of the Year Award.

“Elizabeth embodies all the characteristics of an excellent care provider and leader,” Representative Summerfield said about Gustavson’s nomination. “I have heard from numerous people about how kind and thorough Elizabeth is in her care for her patients and how she exudes confidence, intelligence, and inspires those who work with her.”

Aside from serving as an Advanced EMT for Bloomer Community Ambulance, Elizabeth is also strong advocate for mental health and substance abuse disorders. She has created a video which is now used for EMS training to bring awareness to these issues and teach the importance of empathy in the field.

“Elizabeth has a passion for creating the best care for her patients, especially those going through a mental health or substance abuse crisis. She has advocated around the state and found creative ways to educate others about these difficult situations people are going through and how important it is to treat everyone with grace and empathy when you interact with them. The first responder community and Bloomer are extremely grateful to have Elizabeth serving our area. I am glad to have had the opportunity to show Elizabeth’s devotion to the entire state and present her with this well-deserved recognition. Thank you, Elizabeth for selflessly serving and caring for our citizens so well.”

The “First Responder of the Year” award was created in 2019 to recognize our outstanding first responders who serve our communities and help keep our citizens safe. Each State Representative asks for nominations from their district for individuals who demonstrate selflessness, dedication, and serve their community well, and then have the difficult task of selecting one of the nominees to honor. Any type of emergency service responder can receive this award.

During the floor session yesterday, the Wisconsin State Assembly passed a resolution declaring October 17, 2023 as First Responders Appreciation Day in Wisconsin.

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The 67th Assembly District includes portions of Dunn and Chippewa counties.