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A Day in the Life

Recently I had the opportunity to accompany a deputy from the Trempealeau County Sheriff's Office on a ride-along. What a fascinating experience being able to see what our local law enforcement officials do on a daily basis.

We spent the day going through the Sheriff's Office, dispatch center, jail, administrative department, but mostly traveling around the county on a ride-along. The most interesting part was talking with the deputy who has over 20 years of experience.

The 92nd Assembly District includes Buffalo, Trempealeau and Jackson Counties which all have varying populations and needs. With that being said, our law enforcement officers have to acclimate to different situations and be able to handle it the best way that they are trained to do. They are there to help in our time of need no matter if that is if we are stranded on the side of the road, experience a car wreck, are there to help a drug overdose, protect our children from abuse or for so many other things as they are usually the first emergency personnel on the scene in our rural areas.

While I was sitting in the front seat of the cruiser, I kept thinking about all the different scenarios that may possibly arise while these officers are on the streets and asking the deputy many questions about the county and what they encounter. While many of us sit back and criticize their actions, I would encourage you to put yourself in their shoes when a second may make the difference between life and death.

Our law enforcement officers play a critical role in our communities' success, without them our children, friends, and family would not be as safe as they are now. Remember, these individuals have loved ones that they go home to as well, but they still wake up and go into work to make sure the rest of us do not have to worry if we will make it home that night.

As these men and women are proudly serving our communities each and every day, ensuring the safety of our loved ones, I want to thank them for putting on that uniform and protecting our communities. As of late, I have had many conversations regarding law enforcement and how our citizens are overwhelmingly supportive of them during these trying times as we are seeing some



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civil unrest in certain areas. Often times these individuals do not hear the positive things from the people they serve, but now more than ever it is important to recognize their sacrifices.

As always, feel free to contact my office with questions, comments, or concerns.

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