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Officer Kenneth Chung Selected as First Responder of the Year

MIDDLETON – Representative Dianne Hesselbein awarded the First Responder of the Year Legislative Award to Officer Kenneth Chung of the Middleton Police Department. Members of the Wisconsin State Assembly are able to choose a first responder from their district who is of upstanding service to their community. Officer Chung is currently the Middleton High School Resource Officer. Representative Hesselbein and members of the Middleton Police Department surprised Officer Chung with the award this afternoon at the high school.

“I cannot underscore enough the significance of Officer Chung’s outstanding service to the Middleton community and enthusiastically support him receiving the First Responder of the Year Award. His work in our school district has been exceptional,” said Representative Hesselbein in her nomination.

Officer Chung has worked in the school district, developing positive relationships with students and staff. His mentorship and commitment to the community are clear. Officer Chung is a former member of a professional mixed martial arts team. Chung opened a gym, Gracie Barra, to help bring Brazilian jiu-jitsu to Madison. Officer Chung used his skills in Brazilian jiu-jitsu and passion for mentorship to help a student train in the art and further prepare for a career as a first responder.

Officer Chung does his best to invest in the students, even providing a self-defense class for a health class at the school. Inspiring a student that he met through an arrest to then go onto a career helping others sets Officer Chung apart as an outstanding professional.

Officer Chung will be honored before the entire State Assembly on Tuesday, October 26 along with other first responders from around the state of Wisconsin.

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