## **Subject:** Sheriff Wayne Ivey 2015 FCPA President's Award Nomination

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Good afternoon. I would respectfully request Brevard County Sheriff Wayne Ivey be considered for the Florida Crime Prevention Association President's Award, which is to be presented at the upcoming conference in October. Through Sheriff Ivey's continued innovative and visionary approach to crime prevention, he has created, implementation and displayed a strong commitment to the "It's Time To Be A Parent Again" program.

This first of its kind program is a joint effort by local Sheriffs and States Attorneys to empower parents to become the "Chief Law Enforcement Officer" in their children's lives and gives parents the tools, resources and philosophy necessary to hold their children accountable for their actions and to steer them away from trouble and towards success. It consists of a series of public forums, supported by radio, television and direct mail to help parents cope with challenges never dreamed of in past generations – drugs, gangs, bullying and social media. Make no mistake, this is an "in your face" presentation for parents, grandparents and guardians who are raising our next generation of parents.

Sheriff Ivey has stated that, "It's hard to tough love your kids. It's even tougher to visit them in jail or the unimaginable in the graveyard. Our goal is simple; help parents retake control by establishing rules, expectations and consequences for their children who will someday become parents themselves."

Because of his efforts, the Florida House of Representatives provided \$200,000 for the pilot program for "It's Time To Be A Parent Again" in November 2014 and an additional \$500,000 for funding the program for the entire state of Florida in June 2015.

The program will have had 4,500 participants by September 1, 2015.

Additionally, I wanted to emphasize is from October 2014 to date, Sheriff Ivey has personally done over 200 "Inperson Crime Prevention Presentations" reaching thousands of Brevard County residents on topics such as Identity Theft, Personal Safety, Human Trafficking, Work-Place Violence, Senior Safety and Parenting Skills.

As you can see, Sheriff Ivey's vision and remarkable dedication to keeping our community safe through Crime Prevention is the driving force of the success of our entire Community Services Team. Many of the new and innovative Crime Prevention programs that were started in our agency and throughout Brevard County, are the direct result of his forethought and desire to prevent people from becoming victims of crime.

For additional information, the link to the "It's Time to Be a Parent Again" website can be found at www.itstimetobeaparentagain.com/

Thank you again for hosting the conference and please call or email me with any questions or if additional information is needed. Although I understand no official nominations are accepted for this award, I did complete and attach the "Award Nomination Category" form taken from the FCPA Award Nomination Packet and selected "Category F: President's Award".

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