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**TO:** *George E. Seagraves, Fire Chief*

**FROM:** *Paul DiRienzo, Lieutenant*

**DATE:** *December 10, 2011*

**RE:** *Incident of December 24, 2008*

On December 24, 2008, at 0810, we received a call for an auto accident with injuries at 400 E. Eisenhower Lane. Engine 43 responded with Medic 61 from the north side, due to the south side ambulance already out on another call. While en route we received reports that the driver was not conscious and not breathing. Upon the arrival of Engine 43, the patient was already lying on the ground and snow, with CPR being performed by Beth Hubbard.

While driving to work, Ms. Hubbard witnessed the car in front of her veer into a snow bank. Upon assessing the driver, Ms. Hubbard realized the patient was not breathing and had no pulse. With the help of other bystanders, the driver was placed in the snow, and Ms. Hubbard began CPR. She was doing an outstanding job, and continued to do CPR while we gathered our equipment. The patient was placed on the cardiac monitor and the need for cardio defibrillation was called for. One shock was administered and CPR continued. Within 30 seconds patient converted to a normal sinus rhythm. At this time Ms. Hubbard was relieved of her CPR duties. Advance life support treatment was continued and transportation was made to Good Samaritan Hospital.

On this call, fellow citizen Beth Hubbard became an integral part of our team. There is no question her actions made a difference in whether our patient would live or die. For this, Ms. Hubbard should be recognized as an outstanding citizen and neighbor.