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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chris Brandes, Public Safety Director

FROM: Ray Reynolds, Director of Fire & EMS

REF: Life Saving Award Council Presentation

DATE: September 14, 2026



On Sept 3, 2026 at 9:58 am, a 911 call from Mid-States Companies reported an employee with a critical laceration to the right bicep. Employees Stefan Luppen, Drake Mckeever, and Nolan Stoahl worked together in an effort to get the major hemorrhage under control. Their measures included taking their own shirt off to tie a makeshift knotted pressure dressing, using a belt and screwdriver to attempt a make-shift tourniquet. Nolan Stoahl directed NFD responders (Reynolds and Hutton) to the worksite location where the patient was feeling weak and about to pass out.

A CAT tourniquet along with a trauma dressing were applied. The patient still bled through those interventions and an IV with fluids and pain medication were administered. The tourniquet was completely secured stopping the bleeding. The wound was packed with combat hemostatic impregnated gauze to quickly clot the 5-inch laceration and wrapped with a pressure dressing. Mary Greeley ambulance transported the patient emergent to Mercy Hospital (a level II trauma center). The patient underwent several hours of surgery and has since made a full recovery.

The three Mid-States employees quickly reacted and effectively carried out the rescue of their coworker. I have little doubt these actions preserved the patient's life where critical medical interventions could be applied. We would like to be on the agenda to award these Mid-States employees a lifesaving award at the Sept. 28 council meeting. I would also like Uriah Hansen (HR Manager) to unveil their first responder and Veteran policy on emergency response and recognition of Veteran service.