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HUDSON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

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Dear Chief Executive Officer,

The 200 Club of Hudson County will be holding its **2025 Annual Valor Awards Luncheon** on **Wednesday**, **April 30**, **2025** at the Liberty House Restaurant in Jersey City and we ask you to please hold this date. As in the past, we will be honoring our Police Officers, Firefighters & EMS Technicians who protect us each and every day and who have performed at act of valor, above and beyond the call of duty.

In that regard, we are requesting that the Chief Executive Officer of each department complete and send us nominations for the people under your command who you believe have met the criteria for an individual **Valor Award** or a **Valiant Teamwork Award**. The incident must have occurred in the previous calendar year of <u>2024</u> and within the Hudson County geographical area.

Enclosed please find an **Awards Nomination Form** which can be found on our website: <u>200clubhudsoncounty.com</u>. It is essential that you provide us with the *official report(s) documenting the incident at the time when it initially occurred*. You may also include any media reports or other information that would aid in our deliberations.

It is also essential that you follow the instructions on the nomination form and provide all of the information requested or the nomination will not be considered by the awards committee. It is also important to note that life-saving incidents will not be considered unless the nominee performed the act of valor while exposing themselves to life-threating injuries or possible death. While the saving of a life is heroic in and of itself, it does not meet the criteria of a valor award and should be something that is recognized at the department level.

Furthermore, the Valor Award is only awarded to one individual for a specific act of valor that was witnessed by others and supported by detailed documentation; **Valiant Teamwork Awards** also require an individual act of valor at significant risk to self while performing with other team members. Merely being present during the incident or supervising an operation at the time when others performed an individual act of valor *does not meet the criteria for a Valiant Teamwork Award*.

The 200 Club Awards Committee will be reviewing each submission and determining whether the actions of the nominee(s) meet the highest standards established for each of these categories. It is imperative that we maintain these high standards in order to preserve the 200 Club Valor Awards for the prestigious honor they have represented for the past many decades. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 201-320-8497.

Kindly send all nominations to **200 Club of Hudson County**, **12 Chapel Avenue**, **Jersey City**, **NJ 07305** or via email at mhulings@connellfoley.com. The deadline for all nominations is March 25, **2025**.

I look forward to hearing from and seeing you on April 30th where we will recognize & salute our most heroic officers.

Sincerely,

Chief Timothy Griffin