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Mike Willis
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Dear Mr. Willis

As you know, the Mason County Sheriff's Office recently received some much needed traffic safety equipment from the United States Deputy Sheriff's Association. The community we serve is rural and on the lower end of the economic scale. As such, our small agency must always be resourceful with our available funds. Grants, donations, inter-agency agreements are common terms at all budget meetings.

Thanks to the generosity of the United States Deputy Sheriff's Association we received traffic vests, officer trauma kits, tactical flashlights, patrol vehicle first aid kits, and two portable breath test devices. All of these items were sorely needed for our officers, but not necessarily a budget priority that would sustain the scrutiny of the fiscal hawks during budget talks. These items will be deployed immediately and will increase our readiness as well as our effectiveness during emergency situations.

You have aided in the arming of my deputies with critical tools necessary to respond to citizens needs, and to improve the safety of the officers. I would like to personally thank the United States Deputy Sheriff's Association as an organization, and to you personally for working hand in hand with Chief Deputy Burgett to make this possible.

Stay Safe,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Gann".

Paul Gann
Sheriff
Mason County Illinois