



February 5, 2026

Dear Darlene Cusanza,

It is my honor to nominate Deputy Woodrow St. Pierre for the Oscar J. Tolmas Charitable Trust Crimestoppers Officer/Deputy of the Year Award. I am pleased to recognize Deputy St. Pierre, our St. John the Baptist Parish Sheriff's Office 2025 Officer of the Year, for his bravery and quick response after hearing multiple gunshots at a gas station near an ongoing public event on Aug. 28, 2025.

Deputy St. Pierre was on patrol when he heard the gunshots and without hesitation pulled over and exited his police vehicle. Alone and without any other officer immediately around, Deputy St. Pierre stopped a dangerous situation as it was unfolding.

When Deputy St. Pierre saw someone fire a gun multiple times towards the opposite side of the building, he quickly took command of the situation.

Deputy St. Pierre was able to order four suspects out of a vehicle and hold them face down until back up arrived. His actions resulted in the recovery of a handgun, one AR style rifle and the arrest of multiple suspects.

This incident occurred less than a quarter mile from a public event and could have led to the violence escalating had it not been for the brave actions of Deputy St. Pierre.

Deputy St. Pierre joined the St. John Sheriff's Office in March 2024 and has performed his duties in a commendable fashion. He is a dedicated, hardworking and committed to serving and protecting our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Mike Tregre'.

Mike Tregre, Sheriff