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RECOGNITION OF DELRAY BEACH POLICE EXPLORERS POST #319

Recommended Action:

Recognition of Delray Beach Police Explorers Post #319 for their excellent performance during the 2018 Law Enforcement Explorer Academy as well as their hard work and efforts throughout the year.

Background:

The Delray Beach Police Explorers Post #319 recently attended the 2018 Law Enforcement Explorer Academy. The academy is presented in a structured and highly disciplined environment, much like that found in police and military recruit training centers. The boot camp began with 91 explorers in attendance to include 11 from Police Department's post #319. The goal of this academy is to put the Explorers through rigorous training, both mentally and physically, to teach them many positive life skills and character traits that will assist them with their growth and development as young men and women.

During this camp Sergeants Quinn and Scott, Officers Sosa, Guillaume, Brotz, Kelly, and Trainee Officer Bonet, spent hours assisting with the Explorers' success. Officers Sala, Kearney and Tabares assisted with the instruction of defensive tactics. Officer Marc was assigned as a drill instructor for the academy. The Explorers were specifically trained in subjects such as water survival, scuba diving, basic swimming lessons, combat medic skills, crime scene investigations, K9 procedures, weapon skills, defensive tactics, DUI investigations, narcotics investigation and high and low cope team building training.

In addition, the Explorers participated in daily physical training waking up at 0530 in the morning to the sound of motivated drill instructors pushing them to their limits physically and mentally. Delray Beach Police Explorers attending the boot camp had a hundred percent graduation and additionally, four individual awards were given to the top explorers who demonstrated excellence in certain areas. Two of our explorers were recognized for their overall top performances during the boot camp. The City Commission of the City of Delray Beach commends Delray Beach Police Explorers post #319 for their excellent performance during the 2018 Law Enforcement Explorer Academy, as well as their hard work, continuous efforts, and commitment to excellence.