

COUNTY OF OAKLAND
OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

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MICHAEL J. BOUCHARD



cc: City Mgr
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File

October 27, 2005

Chief Charles Craft
Troy Police Department
500 W. Big Beaver Rd.
Troy MI 48084

Dear Chief Craft

Charlie

I would like to thank you and your officers that assisted us in the apprehension of a dangerous criminal.

On Thursday, October 20, 2005, due to regrettable circumstances, felon Leonard Tokar escaped from custody at St. John's Hospital in the City of Madison Heights. Tokar, who just days before had been charged with felonious assault, kidnapping and carjacking, again committed the crime of carjacking against an elderly woman from her residence near the hospital.

I committed all the resources of my office and instructed Sheriff's personnel to stay on this investigation around the clock until Tokar was back in custody. During the investigation, numerous locations in Oakland, Macomb and Wayne County were identified that needed constant surveillance. The request went out to your agencies for assistance, and was accepted without hesitation.

When Tokar was spotted around noon on Friday, October 21, 2005, in the City of Detroit, he again attempted to flee from the police. What could be described as a very intense pursuit of Tokar, who had absolutely no regard for his actions or how they might cause harm to the innocent public, came to a successful conclusion near Mound and 12 Mile Road in the City of Warren, with Tokar placed back into custody.

I am very grateful that there were no injuries during the apprehension. This is due in large part to the professional manner that your men and women performed their duties, always showing the utmost concern for the safety of our citizens.

Thank you for the help you provided and please express my gratitude to your officers.

Sincerely

Michael

Michael J. Bouchard
Sheriff

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