



June 10, 2016

Chief Monte Nelson
Northfield Police Department
1615 Riverview Drive
Northfield, MN 55057

Reference: cardiac arrest event April 22, 2016

Dear Chief Nelson,

In performing a routine audit of our EMS department's calls for service, it was brought to my attention that two of your police officers were involved in a cardiac arrest event this past April. I was asked to review the call and offer any insight into the actions of the officers and other responders.

I have examined the EMS report and the AED (automated external defibrillator) electronic memory files, and I have come to the conclusion that your officers were absolutely instrumental in the positive outcome for this patient. I can confirm that they used the AED appropriately and performed CPR exceptionally. Their actions were crucial in making sure the patient survived to EMS contact. Were it not for their quick actions and committed attempt, I believe the result for the patient would have been much different.

It is my firm belief that Officers Wierson and Klostermeier made an incredible difference in the outcome. While I realize that the officers will consider what they did, by performing CPR and using an AED, as "just part of the job," their actions should be considered meritorious. Please express my admiration, commendation, and gratitude for a job well-done. Excellent work, Drew and Steve!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer A. Fischer MD". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the "MD" written in a smaller, more formal script at the end.

Jennifer Fischer, MD
EMS Medical Director
Northfield Hospital & Clinics

cc: Honorable Dana Graham, Mayor of Northfield
Mr. Brian Edwards, EMS Chief