



Legislation Text

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Presentation of the Fire Department's Award of Exemplary Action to Farmers Branch residents David White and Jamie Reed.

BACKGROUND:

At 09:05 on Monday July 4th, 2016 the Farmers Branch Fire Department responded to a house fire at 13640 Littlecrest, the home of longtime Farmers Branch residents William & Shirley Mitchell.

Within 4 minutes of dispatch, the first Farmers Branch Engine arrived on location to find heavy fire and smoke coming from the dwelling. Farmers Branch firefighters quickly began fire attack, but the deeply seated fire had already consumed the attic. The intensity of the fire forced fire crews from the inside of the home and into a defensive, exterior position. Despite the best efforts of the Farmers Branch, Addison and Carrollton Fire Departments, the house was a total loss.

Prior to the arrival of the Fire Department, Mr. David White and Ms. Jamie Reed saw the smoke coming from their neighbor's home. Without concern for their own safety, Mr. White and Ms. Reed went to the burning house and assisted the elderly residents away from the raging fire and to safety.

Farmers Branch Police Lieutenant Jay Siegel was one of the first public safety officers to arrive on location. Lieutenant Siegel witnessed the actions of Mr. White and Ms. Reed, and provided a detailed report of their actions to the Fire Department.

Because of their selfless and swift action to ensure the safety of their neighbors, the Fire Department is proudly awarding both David White and Jamie Reed our Award of Exemplary Action for their noble efforts in support of our community.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Award of Exemplary Action to David White
2. Award of Exemplary Action to Jamie Reed