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City of Plano 2010 *Employee of the Year* Named

City Manager Tom Muehlenbeck has named Police Department Public Safety Officer (PSO) Supervisor Nicole Offerdahl as the *City of Plano 2010 Employee of the Year*.

“Your peers made this nomination and determination in recognition of all you achieve for our community on behalf of your department,” said Mr. Muehlenbeck in announcing the honor. “It is recognition at this level that makes this award so special.”

A member of the Police Department since June 2000, she was promoted to Public Safety Supervisor in 2005, currently serving as PSO Supervisor on C Shift (3rd Watch), routinely one of the busiest for police calls for service.

She has received several commendations over her career including *Chief Unit Award* in 2002, 2003 and 2008, and was named *Civilian Supervisor of the Year* in 2008, one of the department’s highest honors.

Over the past 18 months PSO Offerdahl has been the driving force during the department’s implementation of the Automated Field Reporting program, enabling data to be directly entered into the main records systems, including from vehicles in field operations. She coordinated training for approximately 200 patrol officers assigned to various shifts and facilities to transition from voice dictation to data entry, a significant operations change.

“We would not be where we are now with this project were it not for Nicole’s diligence in learning the system herself and then teaching others,” said Chief of Police Greg Rushin. “Nicole is very deserving of the *City of Plano Employee of the*

Year. She is an example for all employees to emulate.”

PSO Offerdahl will be officially recognized in May during a luncheon of the Plano Rotary Club, who has sponsored the *City of Plano Employee of the Year* award since 1989. She will also be recognized at the May 10, 2010 Plano City Council Meeting.

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