

Rep. Loudenbeck: Names First Responder of the Year, Phil Ferrera

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Madison - Wisconsin State Representative Amy Loudenbeck (R-Clinton) has chosen City of Beloit Paramedic and Firefighter, Acting Lieutenant Phil Ferrera to receive the First Responder of the Year Award for the 31st Assembly District.

“Phil’s life has been focused around serving, whether it’s at the fire department serving the community or serving our country as a member of our armed forces, Acting Lieutenant Phil Ferrera is a person we are all proud to have amongst our ranks,” said Beloit Fire Chief Daniel Pease.

Acting Lieutenant Ferrera has been serving the City of Beloit Fire Department since 2004 and previously served the South Beloit Fire Department. In addition to his firefighter and paramedic duties, Acting Lieutenant Ferrera takes on extra responsibility by assisting with fire safety outreach programs and work with at-risk youth. He retired from the U.S. Navy Reserves this past April after 18 years of service. Most recently as a reservist, Ferrera was called up for active duty to help with the federal response to Covid-19 outbreaks in New York and spent more than a year working in a Covid unit.

“I extend a heartfelt thank you to Acting Lt. Ferrara and all First Responders for the work they do to keep our communities safe. Not only does Acting Lt. Ferrara serve the City of Beloit honorably as a firefighter and paramedic, he also recently deployed as a U.S. Navy reservist to serve our nation during a time of great need. I am delighted he and his family were able to join us today for our special program,” said Loudenbeck.

October is First Responder Appreciation Month, and today the State Assembly honored First Responder from each of the 99 Assembly Districts during their session day. Acting Lieutenant Phil Ferrera and his family attended the ceremony with Rep. Loudenbeck at the State Capitol for this well-earned recognition.