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Sheriff Michael Downing  
Rockingham County Sheriff's Department  
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Dear Sheriff Downing,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you and the deputies from your agency who recently responded to a call in my community, and to commend them for a job well done.

On Friday May 30, 2014 at approximately 0630 hours, two officers from my agency responded to a shots fired call in a heavily congested residential neighborhood in my community. Neighbors reported at least two male subjects firing guns inside and outside of the residence. Upon their arrival officers determined that the shooting had stopped and the subjects involved were inside of the residence. To complicate matters, the residence was owned by an individual who had made threats against Newmarket police officers in the past, and there were children walking to school and neighbors rising to go to work. The responding officers called for mutual aid assistance and the response was outstanding.

The Rockingham County Sheriff's Department responded with a number of deputies. I'm not sure who they were but under the command of Sgt. Bashaw they asked what they could do to help. The members of your high risk entry team backed up the Seacoast Emergency Response Team and secured the scene perimeter. They handled this task for us quickly, efficiently and effectively. I have received compliments from my officers, community leaders and citizens on their professionalism and demeanor at a difficult time. While we were able to talk the two individuals into coming out of the home, it took a couple of hours to determine that we had all of the perpetrators in custody. Your deputies remained and assisted until we had everything under control.

In a time when active shooter calls and calls involving the use of firearms are fast becoming "ordinary" calls, it is comforting to know that all of law enforcement will come

together in a time of crisis and work together for a successful outcome. As a small town chief, the fact that the Rockingham County Sheriff's Department stands ready to assist us is extremely comforting.

On behalf of my agency please extend my thanks to the deputies who responded to Newmarket last Friday. They represented your agency very well. Should you or any of your deputies ever need assistance my officers and I are only a request away.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kevin P. Cyr', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kevin P. Cyr  
Chief of Police