

## U.S. Department of Justice

## United States Marshals Service

Northern District of Ohio

Cleveland, OH 44113-1853

Cleveland Association of Paralegals Christy A. Zeyer 1300 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1020 Cleveland, OH 44114

Dear Ms. Zeyer,

On the evening of Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010, the 7,431<sup>st</sup> person surrendered peacefully and voluntarily to the law at Mount Zion Church in Oakwood Village as part of the Fugitive Safe Surrender Program. As partners, we have worked together for more than a year to achieve this remarkable result.

As United States Marshal for the Northern District of Ohio, I thank you for your partnership and commend you for the significant contribution you have made to community safety and the future of this vital initiative.

Capturing fugitives is dangerous work, not only for law enforcement officers, but for residents, too, if the fugitive seeks a confrontation with officers or chooses to flee.

That is why Fugitive Safe Surrender is so important: Because for every fugitive in our community who chooses to voluntarily and peacefully surrender, law enforcement officers and residents face one less potentially dangerous confrontation on the streets.

Together, we have made a difference in Cuyahoga County. More than 7,000 people took their first step toward a second chance. We may have saved lives, we certainly have changed lives, and our partnership has made your community safer.

You have our thanks.

Sincerely,

Peter J. Elliott

United States Marshal Northern District of Ohio

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