

Yorktown Police Department

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Chief of Police Kurt Walthour

As Chief of Police for the Yorktown Police Department, I am honored to give this Medal of Bravery award to Sgt. Ryan Jaromin in recognition of his heroic actions on March 24, 2025.

At approximately 1:52 PM, Sgt. Jaromin responded to an emergency call regarding a residential fire at 1108 S. Sarasota Dr. in Yorktown, Indiana. Dispatch informed Sgt. Jaromin that the homeowner, who was confined to a wheelchair, remained trapped inside while the fire rapidly spread throughout the residence. Upon arriving at the scene, Sgt. Jaromin observed that the garage door was open, and flames were emerging from the front of the house. He could hear the homeowner's desperate cries for help despite the thick smoke filling the garage.

Without hesitation, Sgt. Jaromin entered the smoke-filled garage and navigated through the dangerous conditions toward the entry door of the house. As he reached the door, he felt a hand strike his face—identifying the location of the trapped individual. Without concern for his own safety, Sgt. Jaromin immediately grasped the homeowner and dragged her out of the garage to safety. His swift and selfless actions saved the homeowner's life in a situation where every second mattered.

Sgt. Jaromin's courage, decisiveness, and unwavering commitment to protecting the lives of others exemplify the highest standards of law enforcement. His actions reflect exceptional bravery in the face of life-threatening danger, demonstrating his dedication to the safety of the Yorktown community.

For these reasons, I award Sgt. Ryan Jaromin the Medal of Bravery. His heroism deserves to be recognized and honored.

Sincerely,

Kurt Walthour, Chief of Police Yorktown Police Department