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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Haz-Mat Company 1

Sept. 24, 1989

To: James O. Patterson Queens Boro Commander
 From: Howard R. Kennedy Captain
 Subject: Award Recognition Re: Ridgewood Times

Due to the unusual nature of this meritorious act at the LaGuardia Airport plane crash, I recommend the following four members for the Ridgewood Times Award. These firefighters went into the dark water at the end of the runway to rescue as many civilians as possible without regard for their own safety. There were many obstacles to overcome, (cold, broken parts of the plane bobbing in the water and the many cries for help.). I therefore request your consideration for this award.

- 1. Lieut. Albert Warta Batt. 46
- 2. Fr. Vincent Doherty Haz-Mat Co. 1
- 3. Fr. Kevin Smith Haz-Mat Co. 1
- 4. Fr. Carl Schramm Haz-Mat Co. 1

**Particulars on each individual will follow.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard R. Kennedy
 Captain Haz-Mat Gr. 14

Examined and Approved:

Battalion Chief _____
 Batt. 46 Date Gr,

Deputy Chief _____
 Div. 14 Date Gr.