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On behalf of the Dalton Police Department and the Citizens of the City of Dalton, I would like to congratulate Detective Jason Robinson as the Dalton Police Department Employee of the Year. Detective Robinson has served the Dalton Police Department since 2006 and has served in several roles within the agency. Detective Robinson began his career as a patrol officer and was quickly recognized by his supervisors and peers as someone who possessed all the qualities of a professional and dedicated member of the organization. Detective Robinson also showed a knack for using data and information to guide his daily activities and as a result, was always one of the most active officers in the division. Not only did he understand the use of data and technology to guide efforts to solve crimes, but he was always willing to help other officers gain information to help with their cases.

This willingness to help other officers and an acute understanding of the importance of using a data driven approach to solving crime made Detective Robinson the clear choice for the role of Intelligence Analyst in 2017. Since his appointment to the Criminal Investigation Division in 2017, Detective Robinson has played a vital role in many cases. His ability to use intelligence and data to help deploy department assets has given the department a tool to help both prevent and solve cases that would have gone unsolved in the past.

In 2021, there were multiple examples of the excellent work that have led to this nomination. In January of 2021, Detective Robinson investigated some online scams that seemed to be originating in Dalton. Using his skills, he located the suspect and was able to identify additional victims. In February, he was made aware of a burglary ring that had targeted businesses near the I-75 area and was able to put together a strategy for patrol officers to try to prevent the suspects from committing similar crimes in Dalton. He provided a detailed plan that included the method of operation and likely targets based on information gathered from previous incidents in the area. The suspects did not commit a burglary in our area although they continued in other areas. In

September, Detective Robinson assisted the patrol division in identifying the owners of stolen property recovered from a suspect who was removing catalytic converters from vehicles at a local car dealership. Also, in September, Detective Robinson was asked to follow up on a case that involved some suspicious activity surrounding potential fraud. Detective Robinson was able to take limited information and discover a group of suspects that were using multiple stolen identities to purchase high value items including vehicles and guns. His investigation has led to a case being prosecuted in Federal Court because it covers multiple states and a large group of suspects. In December, Detective Robinson investigated an online threat against schools made through a social media app. He was able to track the origin of the threats and assist in identifying the suspect responsible for making them.

Detective Robinson's contributions to the success of the department are an everyday event and too numerous to name them all. He is a highly motivated and skilled investigator and is the Dalton Police Department's Employee of the Year.