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Russell McComb

Dear Mr. McComb:

I am in receipt of your letter in which you expressed appreciation for Trooper Steven Kelley's assistance on Memorial Day and for the pleasure of meeting Trooper David Bastine.

Thank you for taking the time to acknowledge the cooperation and assistance shown by these two Troopers. I'm always very pleased to hear of the professionalism displayed by members of the State Police, and I will be sure to share the contents of your letter with them.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Koss
Troop "E" Commander

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Major Koss,

I realize that this note is a long time in coming.

On Memorial Day of this year I had the unique opportunity and honor of meeting one of your outstanding officers, in Waterloo, where he was assigned for the day at the Memorial Day parade.

From all that I observed, He is an outstanding State Trooper. His name is Steve Kelly. He is one of the most respectful, professional and courteous men that I have ever had the pleasure of meeting.

I am an Elks Lodge member participating in the parade and when I arrived at the school where the Elks and others were meeting, the Elks members were not there yet.

Mr. Kelly and I started talking and he invited me to sit in his father's car and wait. When the Elks car arrived, it already had enough passengers and Mr. Kelly told me that I could ride the route with him to the park site, where he was a participant.

After the service was over, he made contact with me and gave me a ride to the American Legion Bldg. where they were serving lunch.

I am proud that I had the pleasure of meeting this fine patriotic officer. It is a compliment to your detachment.

I also had the pleasure of meeting another officer from your area, when they were attending classes in Ovid, N.Y. - Dave Bastine - He was very courteous and professional. Thank you for your time and patience.
Sincerely,
Russell McComb