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**Reference: Commissioner's Court Proclamation of Valor and Heroism**

Today during Commissioners Court, members of the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office Warrants Division were honored by Commissioner Manny Ramirez for their acts of bravery.

On August 7, 2024, Deputy Todd Tipton was wounded by gunfire as he and other deputies attempted to serve felony warrants at a home in Fort Worth.

The suspect, who was wanted for crimes against children, opened fire on the officers as they breached the front door. In the ensuing gunfire, Deputy Tipton was shot three times.

Sgt. Smith and Deputy Brown risked their lives to pull Tipton to safety after he was wounded. Deputies Turpin, Jones, and Campbell held the perimeter while being shot at until additional officers arrived.

Sgt. Salone arrived on scene and used a ballistic shield to provide additional cover to the deputies as the gunfire continued. Sgt. Salone's shield was shot twice and he was knocked to the ground. He got back up and held his position until the threat was no longer active.

Deputy Tipton received medical treatment on scene from TCSO Tactical Medic Deputy Lopez and was transported to John Peter Smith Hospital. The actions of all involved that day saved Deputy Tipton's life. Deputy Tipton's heroic actions are a testament to his training and experience.

We thank Commissioner Ramirez for his recognition of our deputies.

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