

CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

PROCLAMATION  
IN RECOGNITION OF

**Ian Taber**

On April 12, 2007, at approximately 11:30 PM a structure fire broke out at 1208 Marseille Court in the City of Rochester Hills. Homeowner Mary Schultz was unconscious in the home at the time. Josh Simpson and Ian Taber endangered their own lives in order to save the life of Mary Schultz.

**WHEREAS**, On the night of April 12, Josh Simpson and Ian Taber heard loud knocking at Josh's front door; and

**WHEREAS**, Upon answering, neighbor Carol Widger pulled Josh out the door, explaining about the fire at Mary's house; and

**WHEREAS**, Josh and Ian saw flames and smoke through Mary's kitchen window and without hesitation Ian immediately broke down the door; and

**WHEREAS**, As thick smoke billowed out the door, Josh saw Mary face down on the kitchen table. Josh immediately feared Mary had perished in the fire; and

**WHEREAS**, Josh was able to evacuate Mary to safety. Once outside, Josh heard the reassuring sound of the emergency vehicle sirens.

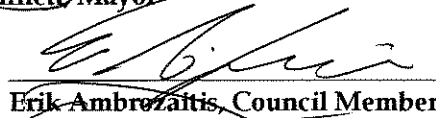
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN**, that the Mayor and City Council of Rochester Hills hereby recognize Ian Taber for his outstanding act of heroism in helping to save the life of Mary Schultz and for his willingness to put his own health and life in danger to help someone who, until that day, he had never met.



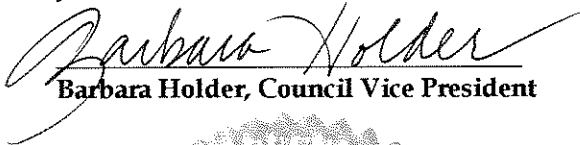
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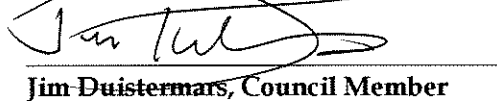
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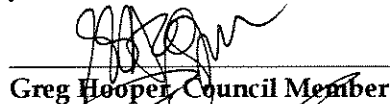
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