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Middleton and Dane County Officers to be Named Assembly 'Hometown Heroes'

MADISON – The Wisconsin State Assembly will recognize law enforcement officers Tyler Loether, Richard O'Connor, Matthew Earll, and David Lambrecht as "Hometown Heroes" at the upcoming Assembly session on February 12th.

Loether and O'Connor, Middleton Police Officers, and Earll and Lambrecht, Dane County Sheriff's Deputies, were nominated by their State Representative, Dianne Hesselbein (D-Middleton), for their bravery during the Middleton Workplace Shooting that took place in September of last year. All four officers responded quickly to the active shooter situation at WTS Paradigm in Middleton, and because of their actions, the unfolding events resulted in no fatalities.

"These officers exemplified courage when they put their lives on the line to protect their community," said Assembly Majority Leader Jim Steineke (R-Kaukauna), who selected them to receive the award. "I appreciate their bravery and am grateful for their service."

The Wisconsin State Assembly sees giving back to the community as one of the most valuable characteristics one can have. The Assembly Hometown Heroes program seeks to identify and recognize individuals from around the state who give of themselves to make a difference in our communities and in the lives of those around them. Hometown Hero Award winners are invited and introduced as a special guest at an Assembly floor session and given the opportunity to speak.

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