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PRESS RELEASE

In great sadness this press release is made in order to inform the citizens of our City that LaPorte City Police K-9 “Rhon” passed away yesterday at 2PM. “Rhon” had developed a terminal medical condition to which there was no cure and in order to prevent him from suffering in his brief remaining time it was decided to euthanize him.

“Rhon” served and protected the citizens of LaPorte with his handler Cpl. Dan Reed faithfully for the last 7 years. He assisted in building and vehicle searches, making arrests and helped other agencies when called upon. Both he and his handler Cpl. Reed were popular in public demonstrations.

Losing a beloved pet is hard enough but a police K-9 goes beyond the status of a pet. The K-9 and the K-9’s handler share a home, a family and duty together. They share the same dangers out on the street in fighting crime. A K-9 is a loyal, selfless partner in the fight against crime.

The LaPorte City Police Department salutes and grieves with the family of Cpl. Dan Reed on the loss of “Rhon.”

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