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To Whom It May Concern:

As the State Representative of the 83rd District, I would like to offer my support to the Aurora Police Department in their pursuit of the FY22 Implementing Crisis Intervention Teams grant from the U.S. Department of Justice.

Aurora Police Department, in partnership with Family Service Association of the Greater Elgin Area, have been working side by side to provide co-response and post-crisis case management to individuals experiencing a mental health crisis. This partnership has allowed for the creation of the Crisis Intervention Unit, which not only provides mental health resources but also has worked to increase collaboration with community partners including hospitals, schools, court services, social service organizations and other law enforcement agencies. The partnership has been successful since the two years it has been implemented helping connect those individuals to mental health services in lieu of jail.

We look forward to working with the Aurora Police Department as they work to respond to the needs of individuals in a mental health crisis that come in contact with the police department.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara Hernandez".

Barbara Hernandez
State Representative, 83rd District