

April 1, 2002

Director
Florida Highway Patrol
2900 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0500

Re: Commendation of FHP Trooper Jim Barley

Dear Sir

With great pleasure, I would like to commend FHP Trooper Jim Barley, Troop D Cocoa District, for extending assistance and courtesy to me during a recent trip from my home in Coral Springs. On March 26, 2002, I was traveling north on I-95 and at mile marker 165 one of my engine belts broke stranding me alongside the highway. For some reason my calls to AAA went unheeded causing me to wait for a tow truck for over 3 hours. Thankfully, after an hour or so, Trooper Barley arrived.


I am a female senior and have never been in a situation quite like this before. In spite of my cell phone and AAA membership, I was unable to get the attention that I needed. Trooper Barley assisted me in obtaining alternate towing and ensured my safety by staying with me until help arrived, which didn't occur until darkness had set in. He was friendly and courteous and helped to turn a very ugly situation around for me. I am deeply grateful!

I have a daughter who is a veteran police officer in Texas. Because of Trooper Barley's assistance, I feel that I have witnessed one of the many good works that I know she and other officers provide daily.

Trooper Barley is an outstanding representative of the Florida Highway Patrol. Please extend to him, on my behalf, my sincere gratitude.

Many, many thanks to all of you!

Sincerely


Patsy T. Yeago