



# CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Presented to

## Brandon Artz

for his actions above and beyond the normal call of duty by offering assistance to a Hermiston resident in crisis on February 10, 2021.

Upon finding an injured person on Gladys Avenue near the Hermiston Public Library and recognizing the continued danger posed by a nearby firearm, Brandon's willingness to assist was crucial in a safe resolution to the situation. When another person exited a nearby residence and attempted to further harm the victim, Brandon's action of kicking the weapon underneath a nearby vehicle and keeping it secured until Hermiston Police officers arrived showed awareness, composure, and compassion.

**Let it be known this 8th day of March 2021** that Brandon Artz has set an example for city employees and residents alike in how to be aware of their surroundings and help people in harm's way. His decisive actions and willingness to selflessly help resolve a dangerous situation potentially saved another person's life.

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**Jason Edmiston,**  
Hermiston Police Chief

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**Dr. Dave Drotzmann,**  
Hermiston Mayor

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**Byron Smith,**  
Hermiston City Manager