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## **Official Press Release**

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The Berlin Police Department is pleased to announce that Sergeant John McCormack has been named Law Enforcement Officer of the Year for 2009 by the National Headquarters of the American Legion.

Sergeant McCormack is a 24-year veteran of the Berlin Police Department. He has served in the Patrol Division as a Patrol Officer and Shift Supervisor, in the Detective Bureau as Narcotics Officer and currently as Detective Sergeant.

He was the lead investigator assigned to the Omar Honore murder investigation which resulted in the conviction of Eddy Lee Parker for 2<sup>nd</sup> degree Murder. He also led the recent investigation of the Webster Bank robberies last summer which led to the arrest of two individuals for armed robbery. They are currently incarcerated and awaiting trial in Federal Court.

He has received numerous awards and decorations including the Jeffery G. Casner Award, Merit Award, Lifesaving Award, Chief's Award, the New Britain Police Excellent Service Medal and the Connecticut State Police Outstanding Service Medal.

There will be a brief ceremony honoring Sergeant McCormack in the Town Hall Rotunda at 6:45 PM on Tuesday July 21, 2009. The public is invited to attend.

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