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Chief Antonio Porter
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Chief Porter,

Your scriptures and uplifting words are a part of what makes Mounds and Creek County the place we call home. Often times, it is easy for us to focus on the negative. Thank you for being a positive voice in your community and reminding us all to be thankful for the blessings the Lord has given us. You are a true blessing to Mounds.

We admire the courage you are showing in the face of adversity. No matter what we do, there always seems to be somebody or some organization waiting in the shadows for the chance to steal our joy. Your tenacity to let your light shine is commendable.

Please accept these words of encouragement from us. Be reminded and at peace knowing what Jesus said in his Sermon on the Mount.

Matthew, Chapter 5, verses 8-16:

"8 God blesses those whose hearts are pure, for they will see God. 9 God blesses those who work for peace, for they will be called the children of God. 10 God blesses those who are persecuted for doing right, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs. 11 God blesses you when people mock you and persecute you and lie about you and say all sorts of evil things against you because you are my followers. 12 Be happy about it! Be very glad! For a great reward awaits you in heaven. And remember, the ancient prophets were persecuted in the same way. 13 You are the salt of the earth. But what good is salt if it has lost its flavor? Can you make it salty again? It will be thrown out and trampled underfoot as worthless. 14 You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. 15 No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father."

Thank you for your leadership and service. You have our full support.

Sincerely,

Senator James Leewright

Representative Mark Lawson