Collin County
Going the Extra Mile (GEM) Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Felix (First Name) E. (Middle Initial) Valdez (Last Name)

Honoree's Job Title: Juvenile Probation Officer

Department: Juvenile Probation

Years of Service with the County: 1 year, 6 months

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award including dates:

On January 7, 2016, Officer Felix Valdez was recognized by the 417th Judicial District Court for above and beyond case management. In order to promote community protection and rehabilitation for a juvenile in the community, Officer Valdez identified the juvenile and family was having a difficult time making office appointments. Officer Valdez took the initiative to meet with the juvenile at his school in order to promote successful supervision. Officer Valdez also chose to meet with the juvenile every two weeks to ensure the juvenile was adhering to terms of supervision and performing well in school, despite this intensity of supervision and face-to-face contact not being required by the Court. This type of supervision and intervention ensures departmental cost savings by reducing the likelihood of future incarceration and citizen victimization.

Approved by elected official or department head on the 7th day of January ,20 16

H. Lynn Hadnot
Signature of Elected Official
Or Department Head

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Printed Name: H. Lynn Hadnot