Twenty-two years ago, I started a career in law enforcement, and soon learned that I needed prescription lenses to do my job safely. I had purchased frames, lenses and even tried contact lenses. It was not too long after I starting wearing glasses that I discovered the inconveniences of having to clean them, correct bent frames and fear losing my eyeglasses during violent encounters with criminals. Over the years, I have spent large sums of money for prescription eyeglasses, including prescription sunglasses.

I know for certain that by receiving LASIK eye surgery, it would improve not only my quality of life, but also my awareness and readiness at work. My vision is my guidance, allowing me to stay alert and protect the general public, as well as myself. I constantly drive a patrol vehicle, make arrests and nearly always have to remove my prescription eyeglasses (sunglasses) in different lighting situations.

Technology has come a long way since when I first considered LASIK surgery, and I feel significantly more comfortable with the idea of having the chance of a lifetime to enter into this opportunity for a “Local Hero Contest,” involving first responders within our community. I know that the surgery would allow me to continue working in my field for years to come.

Thank you,

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