



Rep. Tom Emmer on Emmer Announces Recipients of the FBI Director's Award for Excellence

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****REP. TOM EMMER:**

** Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor five incredible members of Minnesota's law enforcement, each of whom are deservedly receiving the FBI Director's Award for Excellence. Stearns County Deputy Investigator Dennis Kern, former Captain Pam Jensen, retired Bureau of Criminal Apprehension Agent Ken McDonald, and Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agents Shane Ball and Chris Bokers. Twenty-nine years ago, on October 22nd, 11-year-old Jacob Wetterling disappeared. Minnesota was left in shock and horror. Our state hoped and prayed for decades that Jacob would return home. Though unable to change the tragic outcome of Jacob's life, Deputy Kern, Captain Jensen, Agent McDonald, Agent Ball, and Agent Bokers were able to offer some peace and comfort by apprehending Jacob's murderer. Mr. Speaker, words cannot adequately express the gratitude that the Wetterling family and all Minnesotans have for the law enforcement who never stopped searching for Jacob, who never gave up. To Deputy Kern, Captain Jensen, Agent McDonald, Agent Ball, and Agent Bokers, on behalf of all Minnesotans, thank you and God bless you. I yield back.

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