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Lieutenant Receives Meritorious Award

WARRENSBURG, MO – Johnson County Fire Protection District Lieutenant David Hamilton was honored by the Fire Fighters Association of Missouri during the Association’s annual convention on Saturday, April 30, 2016 in Osage Beach. Lt. Hamilton received a meritorious award for his life saving efforts in June 2015.

On June 18, 2015, Lt. Hamilton was working at his full time job at an area construction site. Lt. Hamilton observed a civilian down in the area and quickly responded to provide assistance prior to medical personnel arriving. Lt. Hamilton initiated CPR and continued until the local ambulance arrived and assumed patient care.

When the ambulance transported the patient, the patient had a heart rhythm, but still was not breathing. The patient did not survive.

Although in the area in a bystander type role, Lt. Hamilton did not hesitate to offer assistance and did what he could utilizing his CPR training he received as part of his training with the Fire District and attempted to save the life of a stranger.

“Lt. Hamilton’s efforts show the dedication and the exceptional drive to serve the public of our firefighters,” said Fire Chief Larry Jennings. “Whether our personnel are on an incident scene they were called to with the District or not, our personnel are always willing and able to step in and do what needs to be done. Lt. Hamilton’s actions show that and are a great reflection of the character of our personnel. We are extremely proud of Lt. Hamilton.”

Lt. Hamilton was recognized by the District Board of Directors and was presented with a plaque from the Fire Fighters Association of Missouri during the Board’s meeting on May 10, 2016.