

Surfside Police Department



Award and/or commendation

Date of occurrence: July 22, 2020

Employee Name: Officer Jose Valino

Classification: Police Officer

Unit/Division: Patrol

Award/Commendation type and recommendations: Letter of Commendation/Officer

of the Month

Narrative:

On Wednesday July 22, 2020, Officer Jose Valino responded to an emergency call for service reference a residential house fire in the 9000 block of Emerson Avenue. Officer Valino observed four people standing outside the home upon his arrival on scene. Officer Valino promptly entered the house with his department issued fire extinguisher and assessed the interior ensuring no other occupants were inside. Officer Valino determined the source of the fire was a laundry dryer and extinguished the flames. Officer Valino advised the dispatcher he safely put out the fire, however the Miami-Dade Fire Department was needed to ventilate the residence of heavy smoke. Officer Valino's quick thinking, action and bravery prevented the residence from extensive damage and the occupants were ultimately allowed to return to a safe home. Officer Valino is commended for his outstanding work, professionalism and commitment to the community he proudly serves. Congratulations to Officer Jose Valino as the recipient of the July Officer of the Month award...well deserved!