

CITY OF CORAL GABLES

- MEMORANDUM -

TO: A/CHIEF MILLER  
ASC CHAIRPERSON

DATE: FEBRUARY 29, 2016

FROM: SERGEANT JOHN LUNA *JL 7659*  
UNIFORM PATROL DIVISION

SUBJECT:  
OFFICER FLERES FOR OFFICER  
OF THE MONTH AWARD

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I would like to nominate Officer Fleres for the Officer of the Month Award for February 2016. On February 23, Coral Gables Police received a call from Mr. Fong to report someone had just burglarized his neighbor's house at 511 Loretto Av. Mr. Fong walked outside of his house when he heard a loud bang from the outside. As he walked out, he noticed a white male exiting 511 Loretto Av and enter an awaiting Saturn SUV that was occupied by another white male in the driver's side. The Saturn sped away eastbound on Loretto Av while Mr. Fong got into his vehicle and attempted to follow them. Mr. Fong was able to provide dispatch with a description of the vehicle and of the offender. A BOLO was issued to all units with the description and the last direction of travel. During this time, Officer Fleres' keen observation skills noticed a white Saturn SUV matching the description of the BOLO traveling northbound on SW 60 PL and then turn west on SW 40 St. Officer Fleres requested backup for a traffic stop. Officer Fleres stopped the vehicle at 7455 SW 40 St. The passenger matched the description by Mr. Fong. A show up was conducted and Mr. Fong positively identified one of the offenders. Further investigations revealed that two purses inside of the vehicle belonged to the victim of 511 Loretto Av. The two offenders were arrested and transported to TGK. If it were not for Officer Fleres' actions, the two offenders would have eluded police and potentially committed more burglaries. The victim's property would also not have been recovered. The two offenders had extensive criminal histories.

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