

## **Michigan City Police Officer Graduates From FBI National Academy in Quantico**

**Michigan City, IN** (September 26, 2003) – Mayor Chuck Oberlie and Police Chief Gene Simmons announced that Assistant Chief Johnnie Hudson has successfully completed and graduated from the 10-week FBI National Academy Program in Quantico, Virginia.

“I commend Assistant Chief Hudson for his successful completion of a program has long been a vital element in the continuing improvement of law enforcement standards, knowledge, and cooperation throughout the world,” said Mayor Oberlie. “The National Academy provides a wide range of leadership and specialized training and an opportunity for professional law enforcement officers to share ideas, techniques, and experiences. We appreciate the efforts of our City Team colleagues who take the initiative to continually seek out best practices and specialized training that can assist us in providing quality services to the citizens of Michigan City.”

Chief Simmons said, “Assistant Chief Hudson was one of 241 law enforcement officers from 49 states, the District of Columbia, 25 international countries, two military organizations and four federal civilian organizations graduated from the FBI National Academy program on September 5<sup>th</sup>. This program offers ten weeks of advanced investigative, management, and fitness training for selected officers who have proven records as exceptional professionals within their agencies. We are very pleased to have such an outstanding officer in our department.”

The National Academy Program was founded on July 29, 1935, with 23 students in attendance. Since that early beginning, the National Academy program has graduated nearly 30,000 qualified students. The curriculum focuses on leadership and management training and consists of courses relating to Management Science, Behavioral Science, Law, Education, Forensic Science and Health/Fitness.

Following graduation each officer has the opportunity to join the FBI National Academy Associates, a dynamic organization of more than 25,000 law enforcement professional who have played a significant role in developing a higher level of competency, cooperation, and integrity within the law enforcement community.

“Assistant Chief Hudson’s commitment to this rigorous and challenging advanced law enforcement training program speaks volumes about his dedication to making Michigan City a safer community,” said Mayor Oberlie.

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