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Joe Lusignan, Young Marine Deputy Director
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Dear Deputy Director Lusignan,

It is my pleasure to send a letter of commendation for the services the East Valley Young Marines have rendered to organizations throughout Maricopa County. It has been my privilege to partner with the East Valley Young Marines and see the impact they have had in our community, this year.

Their leadership in our schools and neighborhoods with the *CLOSING THE GATE ON DRUGS* campaign, promotes a healthy, drug-free lifestyle and achieves strong peer leadership. This group of Young Marines has worked long and hard – teaching and becoming leaders, in the fight against drugs. They have been present at our schools in Mesa, Tempe, Chandler, Gilbert, Fountain Hills, and Queen Creek, teaching their peers and setting a high example for other youth to follow. They have been in, and partnered with, other organizations to ensure that they help other youth to live a drug-free lifestyle. Some of those organizations include the Mesa Police Department, Tempe All Stars, Gilbert, Mesa, and Scottsdale Boy and Girls Clubs, and several Boy and Girl Scout troops. They do all this, plus volunteer countless hours of community service, to our veterans throughout the county.

This group of Young Marines really are the go-getters and upcoming leaders in our community.

Again, please pass along my appreciation to the East Valley Young Marines. I give my high recommendation for consideration of this group for *Unit of the Year*, for their dedication and commitment to bettering our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Arpaio", with a large loop at the end.

Joseph M. Arpaio
Sheriff
