



STATE OF IDAHO
LAW ENFORCEMENT, FIREFIGHTING AND EMS
MEDAL OF HONOR

Awarded to

Leon Dennis

*For conspicuous gallantry and exceptionally meritorious
conduct at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty.*

On August 9th, 2023, Sergeant Leon Dennis with the Garden City Police Department responded to shots fired in and from a residence. Officers learned that an innocent person was trapped in the house. Sergeant Leon Dennis and Corporal Sikko Barghoorn quickly arrived on the scene and fearing the person trapped in the house may be injured, entered without knowing where the shooter was. Once inside, officers identified themselves and were immediately met with gunfire. Sergeant Dennis fired one shot. Both officers continued to move toward where the gunfire had come from, located the innocent person, and had him exit the residence. Sergeant Dennis located the shooter in a bedroom closet without further incident.

Through indomitable courage, complete disregard for his own safety, and profound concern for the safety of others, Sergeant Leon Dennis showed great determination and bravery. Sergeant Dennis' extraordinary heroism and intrepidity, with danger to his own life above and beyond the call of duty, are in the highest traditions of the Garden City Police Department and Idaho law enforcement.

Signed this 12th day of August 2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brad Little", written over a horizontal line.

BRAD LITTLE, Governor of Idaho