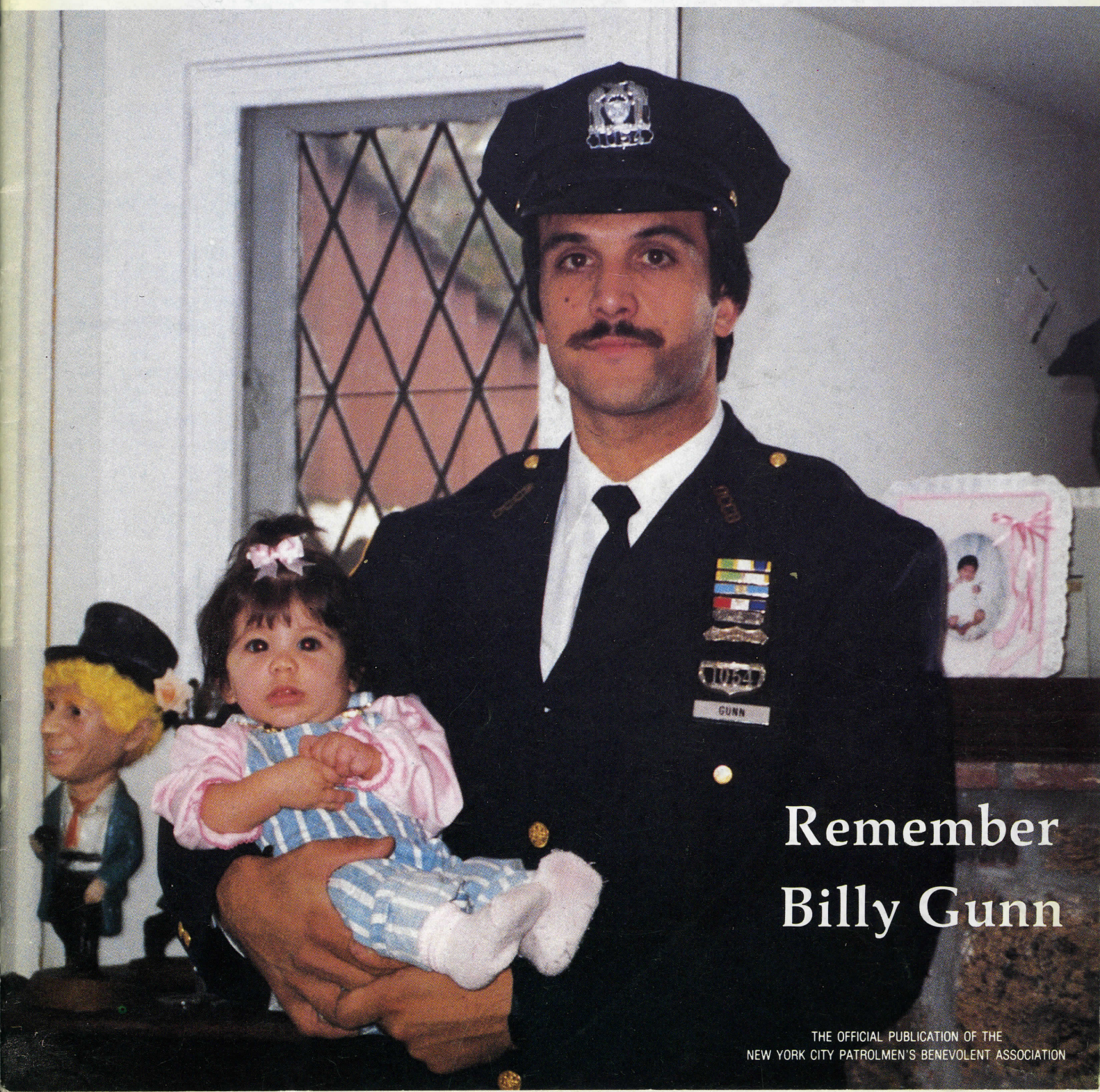


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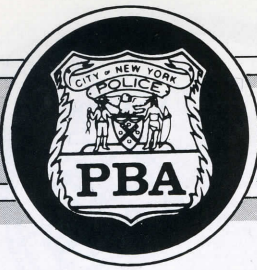


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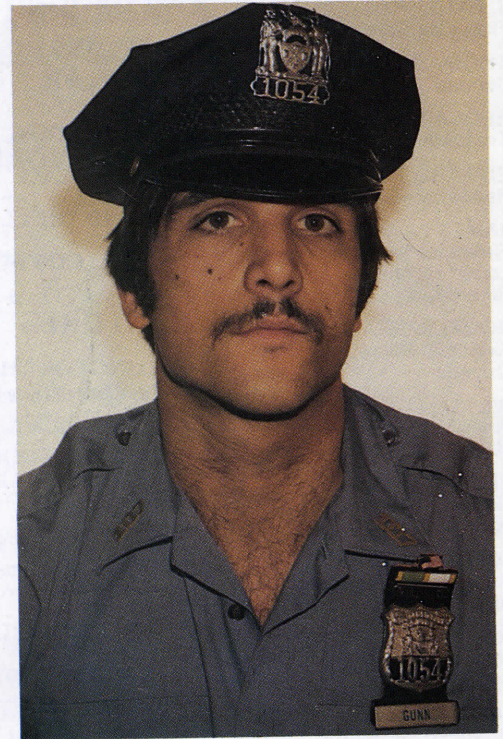
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From The President

Remember Billy Gunn



This is a reminder: On January 20th of this year, an animalistic mutant by the name of Ralph "Caprice" Richardson fired a bullet into the head of P.O. William Gunn in a capricious act of violence that fully revealed the aptness of the perp's nickname. But in spite of the severity of the wound inflicted and six delicate operations later, Billy Gunn lives.

Lesser men would not have survived the extensive initial surgery. With absolutely astounding human courage, strength and resiliency, Billy has been able to rise above all the doubts and pessimism that constantly underscored his medical prognosis. Though in a coma, he has conquered seemingly insuperable adversities and continues to fight valiantly for his life. A quitter he is not.

Billy was recently transferred to New Medico Cedar Lane Rehabilitation and Health Care Center up in Waterbury,

Connecticut, a facility technologically equipped to specialize in the care and treatment of patients struggling through a deep comatose state of existence. However, I would like to call to the attention of our entire membership the fact that the care Billy received at Kings County Hospital from the doctors, nurses and other professionals was above and beyond the call of their routine duties. We truly owe the staff at Kings County Hospital a debt of gratitude.

One of Billy Gunn's greatest ambitions in life was to become a New York City police officer, and once he fulfilled that dream he performed his job extraordinarily well, so well, in fact, that in a relatively short time he was assigned to the 67th PDU and was up for a gold shield. On that tragic night in January, Billy Gunn saw his duty and unhesitatingly sprang into action to rescue his partner. He acted in the finest traditions of the NYPD displaying

the kind of boundless bravery that has earned for us the great measure of prestige we now bear.

I have repeatedly said that the true worth of our department resides within the strength of character of some of the exceptional men and women who form our ranks. Billy Gunn is one of those exceptional officers, a real NYPD hero. Antithetically, the sub-human mutant who shot him, a coward to the core, did the whole of society a great, big favor by exterminating himself.

Billy Gunn lives. We best honor his service and sacrifice by simply remembering. In your thoughts and in your prayers, remember him.

Phil Caruso, President

