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MEDIA NOTIFICATION

Bedford, VA – A Monday morning reception was hosted by Sheriff Mike Brown at his office, to award Deputy John Goyne the Life Saving Medal of Honor.

Deputy Goyne arrived at the scene of an accident where the driver went off the road, through a fence and hit a propane tank which began to leak profusely. The driver was unconscious at the wheel. Deputy Goyne, though risking being overcome by fumes, was able to get the driver out of the vehicle and drag him to a safe distance away and radioed for an ambulance.

“Deputy Goyne reacted swiftly and without fear of his own safety”, Sheriff Brown said, “and this driver certainly would have died from the fumes if it wasn’t for Deputy Goyne.

The Sheriff also reminded the attendees that when a deputy comes on duty, he or she has no idea what situations they may find themselves in. *“Quick thinking and quick action is an imperative part of this job, and this Deputy certainly is to be commended for this exemplary act”,* Brown said.

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