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Incident: Two APD Officers Recognized for Valour

Abbotsford – November 30, 2009.

On Thursday, November 19, 2009 two Abbotsford Police Department officers were recognized by the Provincial Government at Police Honours Night in Victoria. This annual event was created to recognize police officers who have performed an exemplary service to the citizens of British Columbia. Cst. Jason Baskin and Cst. Mark Frendo were presented the Award for Valour which is the highest award for a police officer in British Columbia. To be eligible for this award you must "purposely take action for the benefit of others" while placing yourself "at substantial risk of death or serious injury".

On June 20, 2008 Baskin and Frendo entered a burning building to rescue a despondent man who had barricaded himself in a home he set fire to. The man did not want to be saved that day. Our colleagues saved him anyway and put themselves at great risk in the process.

Please join me in congratulating these officers. They have made us all proud. I have attached some photos of the event and have included some media links covering the story below.

http://www.bclocalnews.com/fraser_valley/abbynews/news/70666332.html

http://www.bclocalnews.com/fraser_valley/abbynews/news/63567152.html

http://www2.canada.com/abbotsfordtimes/news/story.html?id=ef2b1506-7bce-4637-b0e4-03ea11056b10

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