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WSP Troopers Recognized for Life Saving Awards

Bremerton – Two Washington State Patrol (WSP) District 8 Troopers were recognized for their life saving efforts by WSP Chief John R. Batiste Thursday afternoon. Trooper David Franzmann of Hoquiam and Trooper Edgar Quintero of Naselle were recognized and awarded the WSP Life Saving Award for efforts during two separate incidents in April 2018.

On Tuesday, April 17, 2018, Trooper Franzmann responded to an unresponsive 17-year-old male on the 100 block of Anderson Place in Elma. The 17-year-old was not breathing. Elma Police Department Officers had begun CPR. Trooper Franzmann arrived and provided a 4 mg dose of Naloxone to the unresponsive teenager, and continued CPR with the assistance of the Elma police officers until the male began breathing again on his own. Medics arrived on scene and transported the teenager to Summit Pacific Hospital where he regained consciousness and survived a narcotics overdose.

On Monday, April 30, 2018, Trooper Quintero responded to a shots fired and stabbing incident in Illwaco. Trooper Quintero was the first law enforcement officer on scene, finding multiple victims. After determining the suspect was no longer a threat, Trooper Quintero tended to injured victims, including a man bleeding excessively from his right arm. Trooper Quintero determined the injury arm was potentially fatal and applied a tourniquet to the victim's upper arm. Trooper Quintero retrieved his trauma kit and applied bandages to open wounds on the victim's arm and torso. Aid arrived on scene and transported the victim, who survived. Other officers and medics on scene stated the acts of Trooper Quintero ultimately saved the victim's life.

Troopers are recommended by their supervisors for the award, which is later selected by Chief Batiste.

District 8 serves Clallam, Grays Harbor, Jefferson, Kitsap, Mason, Pacific and Wahkiakum counties.

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