To: Sergeant Bryan R. Bryant, Tiffin PD, OH

From: Jeff Felts, Chairman of the NPRC

RE: Chudwin Award Notification

NATIONAL PATROL RIFLE

CONFERENCE & CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dear Sergeant Bryant,

On February 2, 2018, Chief Fredrick Stevens nominated you for the Chief Jeff Chudwin Patrol Rifle Award.

The NPRC's Executive and Advisory Boards, consisting of 45 armed professionals from around the country, concluded voting on April 6, 2018, at 12:00pm, on the actions of this year's nominees.

Sir, on behalf of the NPRC's Boards, it is my honor and privilege to notify you that you are the 2018 Chudwin Award Winner.

You were selected for your heroic, lifesaving actions on May 9, 2017, at approximately 1326 hours, when you were dispatched to a domestic violence call for service whereby the suspect, Scott Bloomfield, had threatened to kill his wife and brandished a rifle. Suspect Bloomfield had left the scene in a yellow Chevy Colorado pickup truck upon your arrival. While you were checking the area for the suspect, you were monitoring the Seneca County Sheriff's radio traffic and heard them sending deputies to 92 Tecumseh Trail on a report that Suspect Bloomfield had just stabbed the resident. You and Officer McClure responded and were the first on scene. You observed Suspect Bloomfield's yellow pickup truck in the driveway. Suspect Bloomfield then exited the home armed with a scoped rifle that he subsequently began firing at you and other officers / deputies. A firefight then ensued at roughly 70 yards and Deputy Cantu was hit and left wounded on the ground, out in the open. At great risk to your own safety, you maneuvered your patrol car under fire up to, and in front of, Deputy Cantu to shield him from fire. You then secured your agency issued patrol rifle, a military surplus M-16A1, took up a modified prone position over the top of the trunk, observed Suspect Bloomfield firing on officers, took aim with iron sights and fired one round from 96 yards killing Suspect Bloomfield and ending the threat.

This event and your individual actions validate why America's first responders must have rifles and quality training if there is to be any hope of swiftly stopping those who are happy to do violence to innocent people.

Sergeant Bryant, you, your peers, and all of the agencies involved in the swift apprehension of Suspect Bloomfield are a great credit to yourselves, your agencies and our profession.

Thank you for your service to our profession. Your actions and success in this battle should serve as a wakeup call for all LEOs to improve their individual and organizational readiness. THANK YOU!

## **CHIEF JEFF CHUDWIN PATROL RIFLE AWARD**

In honor of the nation's primary champion of the modern day law enforcement patrol rifle movement, it is only fitting that this prestigious award be named after the man who has educated and trained so many individuals and organizations on the benefits of a sound patrol rifle program. His professionalism, candor, and counsel has helped countless law enforcement officers through extremely difficult times. His selfless service to the greater good is evident by his every day actions and his motto: "Just do the right thing." We proudly present Sergeant Bryan R. Bryant with the 2018 Chudwin Award for patrol rifle excellence.

## Awarded for one or a combination of the following actions:

- 1. An act of valor using a patrol rifle.
- 2. **Excellence** in the field of law enforcement patrol rifle for a particular event or series of events.
- 3. **Longstanding contribution** in training, education, development and/or leadership in the realm of law enforcement patrol rifle.

## THE CHUDWIN AWARD WINNER RECEIVES:

- Travel expenses for the award winner, one family member and one member of their chain of command to come
  to the NPRC to receive the award. Includes airfare or mileage expenses and shuttle to and from airport if
  required.
- 2. Hotel accommodations for the award winner, family member and the chain of command member. Includes up to two dinners and two lunches for each person.
- 3. There is no cash or money given to the award winner. Instead we offer training opportunities and equipment prizes from our sponsors.
- 4. The winner receives an etched glass trophy and a framed certificate.
- 5. An additional framed certificate for display in that officer's police department, town hall, etc.
- 6. Photographs from the awards ceremony.
- 7. In addition, you will receive various logo and equipment gifts from Center Mass and may receive the same from the events other sponsors and vendors.
- 8. Finally, the winner receives a free slot for themselves and one fellow officer to attend next year's NPRC.

This year's NPRC is **June 1-2, 2018**, in Detroit, MI. It is our sincere hope that you will join us. Please contact us as soon as possible to let us know if you will be attending. For more info about the NPRC click this link.

Congratulations and I hope to see you in a few weeks.

Chairman of the Board, NPRC

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