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LIFESAVING MEDAL – BAR FOR MERIT

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Verne Roe

BOW RIVER, CALGARY, ALBERTA – JUNE 13, 2017

THE BRANCH LIFESAVING MEDAL, BAR FOR MERIT is a branch Rescue Award issued by the Lifesaving Society Alberta & Northwest Territories that may be awarded to a person involved in a rescue or attempted rescue of person at risk. Recipients have demonstrated presence of mind and skill of a meritorious nature. Recipients are awarded a **Bar for Merit** when the nature of the rescue placed the rescuer's life in some danger. Rescue personnel who performed a rescue in the course of duty are eligible for this award.

On June 13, 2017, Verne Roe was working as a Peace Officer with Alberta Health Services, Protective Services, when he received a call for assistance to assist Foothills Medical Centre staff who were attempting to rescue a patient from the Bow River.

Peace Officer Roe and a Foothills Medical Centre staff member entered the river to rescue the patient. At the time the Bow River was flowing fast and turbid due to recent rainfall. Peace Officer Roe went above and beyond the call for duty in rescuing this patient, placing his own life in some danger in the process.

For his bravery, quick response and outstanding effort, **Verne Roe** is awarded the Branch Lifesaving Medal with a Bar for Merit.