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### Renton RFA Firefighter Receives Medal of Valor for Heroic Acts

[RENTON, WA – June 10, 2019] Lieutenant Marcus Rismiller of Renton Regional Fire Authority received a Medal of Valor today during the organization’s Governance Board Meeting for his heroic acts in the line of duty. Lieutenant Rismiller was part of the Engine 13 B shift when they responded to reports of a car fire earlier this year.

Initial reports indicated that the vehicle was both on fire and potentially had an occupant inside. Upon Engine 13’s arrival, Lt. Rismiller approached the vehicle, which had a fully involved engine compartment fire, while crew members began pulling an attack line to extinguish the blaze. Lt. Rismiller proceeded to enter the vehicle, which had filled with smoke, and pulled the victim to safety.

Lt. Rismiller also made a diligent effort to ensure the victim’s safety following their extraction. Had he not made the critical decision to enter the vehicle despite the inherent dangers, the victim would not be alive today. The Renton RFA Governance Board and leadership team recognized Lieutenant Rismiller and the members of Engine 13’s B Shift at the meeting for their bravery. Lt. Rismiller was presented the Medal of Valor by Deputy Fire Chief Roy Gunsolus

### **About Renton Regional Fire Authority**

*Renton Regional Fire Authority serves the communities of Renton, Fire District 25, and Fire District 40. With a coverage area of 33.29 miles, Renton RFA provides fire and life safety services to 131,869 community members (2017). The Renton RFA team abides by the guiding principles of professionalism, integrity, leadership, accountability, and respect, and continually works to build an organization that reflects the unique diversity of the Renton community. Learn more at [www.RentonRFA.org](http://www.RentonRFA.org) or call 425-430-7000.*

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