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Unit

Battalion

Division

7051

Queens

May 28, 1989

1210

Box

Borough

Date

Time

1210 Hrs.

5/28/89

Time of Act

Date

2. MEMBERS RESPONDING

RANK	NAME	UNIT	ASSIGNED UNIT
Lt.	Albert S. Warta Jr.	HM-1	HM-1
FF	Vincent Doherty	HM-1	HM-1
FF	Carl Sshramm	HM-1	HM-1
FF	William Bokelmann	HM-1	HM-1
FF	Lawrence Singletary	HM-1	HM-1
FF	Timothy McMahon	HM-1	HM-1
FF	Neil Yank	HM-1	L-138
FF	John Cassidy	HM-1	HM-1

3. ARE ANY OF THESE MEMBERS BEING RECOMMENDED INDIVIDUALLY FOR MERITORIOUS ACT IN CONNECTION WITH THIS FIRE? No (If yes - list names)

4. LOCATION OF UNIT OPERATIONS:

a) If in building: Address 56-18 68th St. Maspeth Queens
 Height 25' Area 30X50 Construction NFP
 Occupancy M.D. Number of apartments in building 3
 Floor(s) 3 Room Rear 1st Floor

b) If not in building: Give complete descriptive information so that physical setting can be recreated.

5. PERSON(S) AIDED:

NAME	Phillipe Rosario	Salvator Sera
ADDRESS	176 Linden ST.	56-18 68th St.
AGE - SEX	Male 40 Yrs.	Male 42 Yrs.
RESCUE BREATHING	No	No
EXTERNAL CARDIAC MASSAGE	No	Yes
RESUSCITATOR APPLIED	Yes	Yes
HOSPITALIZED	Yes	Yes
NAME OF HOSPITAL	Booth Memorial	Elmhurst Hosp.
DIAGNOSIS	Gun shot wounds	Gun shot wounds
LENGTH OF HOSPITALIZATION		

6. DESCRIPTION OF UNIT OPERATION: On 5/28/89 at 1210Hrs. FF McMahon of HM-1 announced that he had a civilian in Qts. with gun shot wounds. Both companies reported to the apparatus floor.

The dispatcher was notified & the police and EMS were called.

Lt. Warta checked the victim and started first aid. Members of HM-1 brought resusitator and trauma kit and assisted in first aid with the help of Eng. 288 members. The victim Phillipe Rosario informed members, of a second and more serious victim in the house across the street. Lt. Warta took two handi-talkies, handed one to the members attending the first victim and went to the scene of the second victim with Capt. Connolly, FF. Schramm and two members of E-288. Members entered the dwelling without police protection and without regard for personal safety (not knowing if the gunman was still inside) due to the imminent life hazard involved. The second victim Salvator Sera was found lying on his back in a pool of blood. Lt. Warta established communications between the two scenes and started first aid. The victims face was full of blood and there was a tremendous amount of blood on the floor. Upon wiping the blood from the face Lt. Warta found a bullet wound in the left eye but upon checking for a pulse found the victim to still be alive. A member from EMS had at this time arrived and members of HM-1 and E-288 assisted him until more EMS personnel arrived. The members obtained a stretcher and assisted in carrying the victim to the waiting ambulance. Members at the scene of the first victim also rendered first aid, assisted EMS and placed the victim in an ambulance.

Members not immediately involved in first aid set up barrier tape to establish a crime scene and protect area residents. FF Bokelmann helped to calm the victims 11 yr. old son.

The members exhibited exceptional team work, innitiative and professionalism in the finest tradition of the department in that they attempted to save human life even at the risk of there own safety.

The area was secured, communications were set up between both scenes, the victims and their relatives comforted, evidence was protected, and other pertinent agencies were notified and assisted to a successful conclusion by the Fire Dept.

For this exceptional performance at this operation I respectfully request consideration by the board of merit.

7. RECOMMENDATION:

Deputy Chief

Division

Date