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## Media Advisory

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## Troopers Run Into Traffic to Save Woman Twice

Police officers risk their lives on a daily basis to save the lives of others. On two occasions exactly two months apart, the Nevada Highway Patrol responded to the area of IR15 and Silverado Ranch for a pedestrian in distress. On both occasions Troopers contacted the same female pedestrian and observed her run into traffic on the IR15. With traffic flying by, Troopers disregarded their own safety and put the safety of the pedestrian first by running into traffic and apprehending her.

Troopers constantly make split second decisions and their decisions and actions that day saved the life of a young woman. For their brave efforts, both Troopers were awarded a lifesaving medal by the Department of Public Safety.

The Troopers involved are available for interview as well as dash camera footage for these incidents. Please contact Trooper C. Stuenkel at 702-469-3882 or Trooper J. Buratczuk at 702-533-6808 for any requests.