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### **EAST HANTS RCMP MEMBER RECIPIENT OF COMMISSIONER'S COMMENDATION FOR BRAVERY**

On July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023, communities of West Hants experienced an historic storm that caused disastrous flooding, loss of property and heartbreakingly, human life. East Hants RCMP member Cst. Jeffery Crouse was asked to assist with the extreme number of search and rescue operations and he did so without hesitation. Upon attending the scene Cst. Crouse liaised with local fire and emergency personnel who were in the midst of launching a rescue boat. At the time, there were multiple people in the water trying to stay afloat. Cst. Crouse boarded the rescue boat, and, along with fire personnel, actively assisted in pulling survivors from the water. After five people were rescued, Cst. Crouse took it upon himself to safely transport them to the hospital in his vehicle. Due to the destructive nature of the storm, there was no clear path to the nearest hospital and he had to navigate his way through blocked and flooded roadways, fallen trees and debris to the Truro hospital. He demonstrated outstanding courage in the face of extremely dangerous and volatile circumstances.

On November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, for his actions during the floods of 2023, Cst. Jeffery Crouse received the Commissioner's Commendation for Bravery.

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