

Rep. Rothman Honors North Bergen Heroes, Eddie and Sergio Valente

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(Paramus, NJ) – Congressman Steve Rothman (D-Fair Lawn) presented twin brothers Sergio and Eddie Valente with certificates of Congressional Recognition for their assistance in the heroic rescue of tanker truck driver Rajinder Singh. The young men, residents of North Bergen and juniors at Paramus Catholic High School, were traveling on the New Jersey Turnpike on the afternoon of November 25, 2008, when they saw flames in the distance. As they approached the accident, they watched as Mr. Singh emerged from his tractor trailer engulfed in flames. The brothers immediately pulled over, and bravely assisted nursing student Angelica Mercado in putting out the flames with their bare hands. Rep. Rothman also honored Ms. Mercado for her bravery at a ceremony at Holy Name Hospital.

Pictured L-R: Carmine Alampi, Esq., Maria Valente, mother of the young men, Paramus Mayor James Tedesco, Eddie Valente, Rep. Rothman, Joseph Valente, father, Sergio Valente, and Bergen County Prosecutor John Molinelli.

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