

ROLL OF MERIT

is hereby awarded to



Fire Fighter James M. Hardy

Rescue Co. 1



Fire Fighter Robert P. Breen

Rescue Co. 1

At 0122 hours, on July 7, 1990, Rescue Co. 1 responded to Route 93 Northbound on the report of a woman threatening suicide. After attempts by the State Police failed to talk her down, Fire Fighter James M. Hardy donned a safety harness and life line, and made his way out onto an "I" beam, 100 feet above the Charles River, where he made a dash for her and a struggle ensued. Fire Fighter Hardy was joined by Fire Fighter Robert P. Breen who climbed over the rail and assisted Fire Fighter Hardy in bringing the woman to safety.

Because Fire Fighter James M. Hardy and Fire Fighter Robert P. Breen, both of Rescue Co. 1, performed this act at great personal risk, without regard for their own safety, the Fire Commissioner, upon recommendation of the Board of Merit, orders that their names be added to the Roll of Merit of the Boston Fire Department.