



STATE OF IDAHO  
LAW ENFORCEMENT, FIREFIGHTING AND EMS  
MEDAL OF HONOR

*Awarded to*

**John Ryan O'Hearn**

*For conspicuous gallantry and exceptionally meritorious  
conduct at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty.*

On June 22, 2005, at approximately 3:30 p.m., the Pocatello Fire Department was dispatched to a house fire on East Elm Street. There was smoke billowing from the house, and upon being informed that there was a wheelchair-bound man still trapped inside, Firefighter John Ryan O'Hearn singlehandedly removed the victim from the smoke and heat charged environment and threat of certain death.

Through indomitable courage, complete disregard for his own safety, and profound concern for the trapped man, Firefighter O'Hearn averted further injury and possible loss of life. Firefighter O'Hearn's extraordinary heroism, fortitude, and endurance, with danger to his own life above and beyond the call of duty, are in the highest traditions of the Pocatello Fire Department and Idaho fire service.

Signed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 2014.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "C.L. Butch Otter".

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of Idaho