# Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award Activity Report 2014 - 2015

## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

The Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award Review Panel is established under the *Bravery Award Act* and its membership is appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. This report covers the activity of the Review Panel from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015. My signature is on behalf of the Review Panel and is indicative of our accountability for actual resulted reported herein.

Sincerely,

**CHIEF BILL JANES** 

Of the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary And Chair of the Bravery Award Review Panel

#### 10VERVIEW

The Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery is one of the elements of the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's honours system. It was established via the Bravery Award Act for the purpose of recognizing citizens of the province whose life and safety have been risked while giving assistance to another person.

Any resident of Newfoundland and Labrador is eligible to be nominated for a Bravery Award. Incidents for which persons have been nominated for the Bravery Award include, as examples, rendering assistance to an individual in danger of drowning or perishing in a fire.

The Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award Review Panel is appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council as per section 4.(1) of the *Bravery Award Act*. Current membership 1 comprises:

The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary's Chief of Police The Assistant Commissioner, B Division, Royal Canadian Mounted Police The Fire Commissioner

The Deputy Clerk of the Executive Council is the secretary to the Review Panel.

The Review Panel meets as required.

#### **MANDATE**

The Review Panel receives it mandate from section 4 of the *Bravery Award Act*. Specifically, it is mandated to:

- accept and consider nominations of persons eligible for the Bravery Award; and
- recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council the names of those persons who
  are eligible to receive the Bravery Award.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As of Mar31, 2015, the Review Panel comprised Chief of Police Bill Janes; Assistant Commissioner (B Division) Tracy Hardy; and Fire Commissioner Derek Simmons.

#### VISION

The Review Panel's vision is appropriate recognition of citizens of the province whose life and safety have been risked while giving assistance to another person.

The Bravery Award Review Panel has a very specific mandate to accept and consider nominations of persons eligible for the Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery and make recommendations to the Lieutenant Governor in Council. As such, the Bravery Award Review Panel has not developed a mission or goals. The Bravery Award Review Panel will report annually upon its activity toward the one objective detailed below.

### **OBJECTIVE**

By March 31, 2015, the Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery Review Panel, where appropriate, will have made recommendations to the Lieutenant Governor in Council regarding recipients of the Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery.

#### **MEASURE**

Recommendations are made to the Lieutenant Governor in Council regarding the Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery.

#### **INDICATORS**

- Meetings held as required
- Considered nominations made for the Newfoundland and Labrador Award for Bravery
- Provided, where appropriate, recommendations to the Lieutenant Governor in Council

#### ACTIVITIES

 Receipt of nominations for the Bravery Award are ongoing. No meetings were required to be held in the reporting period.