



**PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT**  
**INDIAN CREEK VILLAGE, FLORIDA**  
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***JOHN J. BERNARDO, Chief of Police***

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Raleigh M. Flowers Jr., Chair  
Officer of the Month Nominations Committee  
Miami Dade County Association of Chiefs of Police  
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Dear Chief Flowers,

It is my honor to nominate Officers Jeremy Martinez and Sean Klahm for the Miami Dade County Association of Chiefs of Police Office of the Month Award.

On April 10, Officers Martinez and Klahm responded to a municipal radio request for assistance for an individual experiencing a medical emergency on the Intercoastal Waterway. Within minutes, they arrived at Beer Can Island and located the female. According to her associates, the female had previously ingested multiple illegal narcotics, possibly, "Tusi" or pink cocaine, and then attempted to operate a jet ski. The female passed out while on the jet ski and collided with another personal watercraft. Upon arrival, Ofc. Klahm immediately entered the water and conducted a quick assessment of the female's injuries. He determined she was non-responsive with a very weak pulse and possible head injuries. While assessing the female, she lost consciousness and stopped breathing. Ofcs Klahm and Martinez recognized her dire condition and that there was no fire rescue support anywhere nearby. Fully aware timing was critical for her survival, Ofc Martinez and Klahm immediately loaded the female onto their vessel. While operating the vessel, Ofc. Martinez coordinated a location to rendezvous with land side assistance, allowing Ofc Klahm to provide medical attention to the female. Ofc Martinez' extensive familiarity with the waterway allowed him to traverse areas deemed unnavigable to lesser experienced captains, saving critical minutes in delivering the female to fire rescue. The female was given a first dose of Narcan, but it had no effect. A second dose of Narcan was administered which resulted in a weak but detectable pulse. The female was then transferred to fire rescue.

Officer Martinez and Klahm's extensive experience, rapid response, and quick decision making all contributed to saving the life of the female boater.

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Sincerely,

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