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## NORTH AMERICAN RESCUE FOUNDER RECEIVES ORDER OF PALMETTO AWARD

*Greer, SC (December 7, 2020)* – Founder and CEO of North American Rescue, LLC, Robert Castellani, was recently presented with the distinguished Order of Palmetto Award in recognition of his positive impact on South Carolina's citizens. The intimate award ceremony was attended by several of South Carolina's legislative delegation from across the state. Bruce Bannister (S.C. House of Representatives), Pamela Evette (S.C. Lieutenant Governor), and Henry McMaster (Governor of South Carolina) were among the speakers that shared during the ceremony.

"You can't buy it. You can't ask for it. You have to be recommended, and recommendations for Bob Castellani have poured in," stated Governor McMaster. According to the South Carolina Governor's website, "**The Order of the Palmetto** is the state's highest civilian honor awarded to citizens of South Carolina for extraordinary lifetime service and achievements of national or statewide significance. The Order of the Palmetto is a once in a lifetime achievement."

"With the things that Bob has done, his generosity, his concern for his fellow man and the people of South Carolina, he has exhibited the kind of characteristics and behavior that should exemplify the very best of South Carolina," stated Governor McMaster. "On behalf, not of me, not of a small group, not even of those just in this room, but five million proud, happy South Carolinians, we honor you today and thank you for what you have done."

In response to the presentation, Mr. Castellani stated, "Most individual awards aren't really 'individual awards.' We have families and coaches and people that have helped us along the way." He further observed, "It's really nice for people to recognize me, but I have a team of guys who inspire me and have carried me through life to where we are today. They've been recognized by the Department of Defense, Federal and State Agencies, and foreign governments for over 25 years, for not only innovating medical technology, but for influencing policies and protocols that have directly contributed to saving lives."

Mr. Castellani spoke briefly about the impact that the combined contributions from himself and the North American Rescue team have been able to make. "Together we've given over \$40 million dollars to charitable causes such as: special needs children, veteran's causes and organizations, domestic violence and rape crisis survivors, church organizations, missions, and more." He summed his experiences up by stating, "That's pretty cool when you think about where we came from and how we've been able help others as we've moved through life."

"Bob has a calling to serve his community and country with an inspiring vigor, and we are proud of his achievement and the recognition he has received," stated Andy Goldy, COO of North American Rescue. "We are equally honored as an organization to be given the opportunity to continue this extraordinary legacy."

## About North American Rescue, LLC.

North American Rescue (NAR), based in Greer, South Carolina, has proudly enjoyed the honor of serving their country, community, and customers for over two decades. NAR is leading the way in decreasing preventable deaths by providing innovative casualty care solutions to our uniformed soldiers, first responders, health care professionals, and security forces both at home, and abroad in foreign combat zones. For more information on North American Rescue and products visit <u>www.NARescue.com</u> or call (864) 675-9800.