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Maryland Congressional Delegation Presents Congressional Badge of Bravery Awards to Capitol Police Officers

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Press Release from the Office of Senator Ben Cardin

WASHINGTON – Standing in the U.S. Capitol, U.S. Senators Ben Cardin and Chris Van Hollen, and Congressmen Elijah E. Cummings, Dutch Ruppersberger, John P. Sarbanes, Anthony Brown and Jamie Raskin on Tuesday, July 16, 2019, presented the Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery Award to U.S. Capitol Police Special Agent Crystal Griner and Special Agent David Bailey. The U.S. Department of Justice recently approved the commendation for Special Agents Griner and Bailey, who risked their lives to save others during a shooting attack on a congressional baseball practice in Alexandria, Va. in June 2017. Congressman Steve Scalise, who was injured in the shooting, also attended the award presentation.

"We thank Marylanders Special Agent Griner and Special Agent Bailey who, through their actions, saved lives on that fateful day in June 2017. We all are proud to recognize both of these heroes for their sacrifice and dedication to public service. It is an honor to represent them in Congress and to present them with this well-deserved award," said Senator Cardin, on behalf of the Maryland congressional delegation.

"The Congressional Badge of Bravery is one of the most prestigious awards that a law enforcement officer can receive for exceptional acts of bravery in the line of duty. I can think of no one more deserving than Special Agent Griner and Special Agent Bailey for their incredible acts of heroism on June 14, 2017, during the active shooter incident at the Republican baseball team's practice. Their actions that day not only represented who they are as officers; they represented the entire United States Capitol Police Department in its commitment to successfully achieve our critical mission each and every day," said Steven A. Sund, Chief of Police.



Members of the Maryland congressional delegation awarded the Congressional Badge of Bravery to U.S. Capitol Police Special Agents Crystal Griner and David Bailey for risking their lives to save others when a gunman attacked members of Congress in June 2017.

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Maryland's congressional delegation and Congressman Steve Scalise (R-La.) today acknowledged the extraordinary bravery of U.S. Capitol Police Special Agenct Crystal Griner.



Maryland's Senior Senator Ben Cardin presents U.S. Capitol Police Special Agent David Bailey with the Congressional Badge of Bravery.

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