

Safety and Heroism



Matt Eure

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Troopers Matt Eure and Andy Lamp have nearly 35 years of combined service with the State Highway Patrol. The two have worked together serving the citizens of Craven and Pamlico counties since August 2016 when Trooper Lamp joined Troop A, District 6 following previous roles in Guildford County and at the Governor's Mansion. Trooper Eure has been a part of Troop A, District 6 since he began his career with the State Highway Patrol in July 2012.

As state troopers, it is their responsibility to protect the public by ensuring safe, efficient transportation on the streets and highways of North Carolina. On Wednesday, January 4, 2023, Trooper Lamp and Trooper Eure extended their commitment to protect and care for the public beyond the North Carolina roadways to save the life of a young child.

As the pair settled into a meal at a restaurant while on their break, their conversation was interrupted by a frenzy of distressed restaurant patrons. With an emergency unfolding, everyone in the restaurant looked to Troopers Lamp and Eure, donning uniforms and badges, as a source of safety and assistance. The troopers met the distressed patrons' expectations without hesitation.



They quickly located a child who was choking. As Trooper Eure approached the child, she began to turn purple from a lack of oxygen. Relying on his professional training, Trooper Eure immediately cleared her airway and began performing back blows to dislodge the food hanging from her mouth. Meanwhile, Trooper Lamp took action to alert emergency medical services. After radioing for EMS, he returned to assist Trooper Eure. The young girl's mother watched in a panic. Trooper Lamp consoled her while assisting Trooper Eure as he firmly struck the child's back, finally clearing her throat. A wave of relief washed over the restaurant as the mother and daughter, still shaken but tremendously grateful, thanked Troopers Eure and Lamp for their help.

Trooper Matt Eure and Trooper Andy Lamp were essential to providing lifesaving assistance to a young child in need. Their quick-acting emergency response prevented a tragedy on January 4. The State of North Carolina is proud to call Trooper Eure and Trooper Lamp employees and thanks them for their service.