

Senator O'Brien honors Pittsford "Medal for Valor" recipient

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Specialist Isaac Wieboldt recognized by O'Brien, Town Board for Hurricane Sandy heroism

PITTSFORD, N.Y. -- During Hurricane Sandy, Army National Guardsman Isaac Wieboldt, 21, assisted the Island Park Fire Department in the evacuation of at least 28 people simultaneously threatened by both rising flood waters and a serious fire.

Earlier this year, he was recognized with the New York State Medal for Valor, the state's most prestigious military decoration.

Last night, Senator Ted O'Brien, Pittsford Town Supervisor Sandra Zutes and members of

the Pittsford Town Council added local recognition to the many accolades Wieboldt has

received.

"I remember seeing the shocking image of a town in flames amid the floodwater when Sandy

struck," Senator O'Brien said. "Later, when I learned that a local soldier had been

instrumental in rescuing many people from that horrible situation, I knew he deserved to be

honored in and by his community, as well."

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Sen. O'Brien represents the 55th district in the Senate, which is made up of the eastern half of Monroe

County and the western half of Ontario County, including much of the city of Rochester.

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