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Henry Repeating Arms and the National Police Defense Foundation Honor American Heroes

Henry Pledges $60,000 to Law Enforcement Charitable Causes

RICE LAKE, Wis., May 9, 2025 — At the National Police Defense Foundation's 30th Anniversary Awards Dinner, Henry Repeating Arms Founder and CEO Anthony Imperato presented custom one-of-a-kind engraved rifles to several distinguished honorees, including former ICE Director and current Border Czar Tom Homan, who was named the National Police Defense Foundation's 2025 Man of the Year.

Due to his position in President Trump's cabinet, Homan respectfully declined to accept the firearm, though he joked, "Maybe I should resign so I can take this beautiful rifle!" Instead, Homan asked that the custom New Original Henry Silver Deluxe Engraved rifle, which features engraved seals of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Border Patrol (USBP), be used to raise funds for the Border Patrol Foundation (BPF), a 501(c)(3) non profit organization established in 2009 to honor the memory of fallen U.S. Border Patrol agents. BPF also provides financial support to USBP agents, employees, and their families for on- and off-duty deaths, injuries, illnesses, and student scholarships.

In an emotional moment that drew a rousing round of applause, Imperato responded, "Now you've got my juices flowing - I'm going to add $50,000 on top of whatever this rifle brings at auction."

Mr. Homan graciously signed the accompanying hand-built American walnut tabletop display case, which will be included in an online auction with the custom rifle within 30 days. All proceeds from the auction will be presented to the Border Patrol Foundation. Including prior cash and product donations, the $50,000 will make Henry's total contributions to the Border Patrol Foundation exceed $100,000. Join the Henry Repeating Arms newsletter to be notified about the auction's timing.

Other honorees recognized with custom Henry rifles included:

- **Rear Admiral Zeita Merchant**, **U.S. Coast Guard**, **Woman of the Year.** Presented with a custom Henry Golden Boy Deluxe Engraved rifle featuring an engraved and hand-painted seal of the U.S. Coast Guard.
- **Ralph Sozio**, **U.S. Marshal for the Southern District of New York**, **Lifetime Achievement Award.** Presented with a custom Henry Golden Boy Deluxe Engraved rifle featuring an engraved and hand-painted U.S. Marshal badge.
- **Anthony Lacorazza**, **Assistant to the Special Agent in Charge of the U.S. Secret Service**, **Member of the Year.** Presented with a custom Henry Big Boy Brass .44 Mag/.44 Spl with a U.S. Secret Service badge engraved in the buttstock.

- **Joe Marino, Senior Reporter, New York Post, Excellence in Media Award.** Presented with a custom Henry Golden Boy Deluxe Engraved rifle.

The annual NPDF Awards Dinner helps fund the Foundation's mission and charitable programs, including *Operation Kids*, which distributes free child fingerprint and DNA kits to parents, sponsors youth athletic events, posts rewards for information on missing child cases, issues annual scholarships to deserving students, and arranges for lifesaving operations and medical treatment for critically ill children worldwide. Henry Repeating Arms pledged an additional $10,000 to support the NPDF and its charitable work as part of the evening's events.

To learn more about Henry Repeating Arms and its line of American-made rifles, shotguns, and revolvers, visit www.henryusa.com.

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ABOUT HENRY REPEATING ARMS
Henry Repeating Arms is one of the leading firearm manufacturers in the United States and a world leader in the lever-action category. The company's motto is "*Made in America, Or Not Made At All."* Every Henry firearm comes with a Lifetime Warranty and a 100% Satisfaction Guarantee backed by award-winning customer service. Henry Repeating Arms employs over 800 people and has 400,000 sq. ft. of manufacturing space in Rice Lake and Ladysmith, Wisconsin. The company is also known for its Guns for Great Causes charitable program, which focuses on assisting the families of sick children, children's hospitals, military veteran organizations, law enforcement, first responder groups, Second Amendment advocacy groups, and wildlife conservation organizations. The company is named in honor of Benjamin Tyler Henry, who invented and patented the Henry lever action rifle in 1860 – the first practical repeating rifle and America's unique contribution to the international stage of firearms design. Visit Henry Repeating Arms online at henryusa.com, on Facebook, X, and Instagram.

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PHOTO CAPTION(S)

Homan-Imperato.jpg:
Former ICE Director and current Border Czar, Tom Homan (L), with Henry Repeating Arms Founder and CEO, Anthony Imperato (R), standing in front of the custom New Original Silver Deluxe Engraved rifle, which will soon be auctioned off to benefit the Border Patrol Foundation. (Henry Repeating Arms)

NPDF-Award-Honorees.jpg:
From L to R: Anthony Imperato, Henry Repeating Arms Founder and CEO; Anthony Lacorazza, Assistant to the Special Agent in Charge of the U.S. Secret Service, NPDF Member of the Year; Joe Marino, New York Post Reporter, NPDF Excellence in Media Award; Ralph Sozio, U.S. Marshal for the Southern District of NY, NPDF Lifetime Achievement Award; Rear Admiral Zeita Merchant, U.S. Coast Guard, NPDF Woman of the Year. (Henry Repeating Arms)

Imperato-Merchant.jpg:
Rear Admiral Zeita Merchant, Commander, Personnel Service Center (PSC), U.S. Coast Guard, receiving her custom-engraved and hand-painted Henry rifle in honor of the NPDF Woman of the Year Award. (Henry Repeating Arms)

Henry-Homan-Rifle.jpg:
The one-of-a-kind New Original Henry Silver Deluxe Engraved rifle and a hand-built tabletop display signed by Tom Homan will be auctioned off online to raise funds for The Border Patrol Foundation. (Henry Repeating Arms)