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## NH Rep. Jenn Coffey Receives Inaugural Freedom's Edge™ Award

June 5, 2010, Atlanta, GA: Knife Rights is pleased to announce that New Hampshire State Representative Jenn Coffey is the inaugural recipient of its Freedom's Edge™ Award which was presented at the Sharper Future™ Awards Breakfast during BLADE Show in Atlanta, Georgia.

The Freedom's Edge<sup>™</sup> Award is to be given annually to honor a local, state or national elected representative who has demonstrated their commitment to a Sharper Future<sup>™</sup> by leadership in the fight to protect or enhance our knife rights.

Knife Rights Chairman Doug Ritter said, "Representative Coffey is being recognized for her courageous initiative and sponsorship of the New Hampshire Knife Rights Bill which legalized switchblades, dirks, daggers and stilettos for New Hampshire citizens." With support from Knife Rights, the bill passed by unanimous consent in both houses and was signed into law by Democratic Governor John Lynch. This makes New Hampshire one of the most knife-friendly states in the country. Said Ritter, "The Freedom's Edge™ Award represents a Sharper Future™ for all knife owners."

Coffey, who serves as an Emergency Medical Technician in her regular job, was also presented with a very special knife in recognition of and appreciation for her work. Renowned knifemaker and knife designer Rick Hinderer (http://www.rickhindererknives.com/) and Gerber Legendary Blades (<a href="http://www.gerbergear.com">http://www.gerbergear.com</a>) custom built a one-off Hinderer Rescue Knife with EMT Blue handles for Coffey (regular handles are red). The blade was signed by Hinderer, himself a fire fighter and EMT.

Knife Rights (www.KnifeRights.org) is America's Grassroots Knife Owners Organization™, working towards a Sharper Future™ for all knife owners. Knife Rights is dedicated to providing knife owners an effective voice in public policy.

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