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Police Officers Honored As Heroes

When Heroes are not Heroic

Do you know that three of the police officers who indicted in the killing of Freddie grey were honored at a right wing gala? The [Media Research Center](#), held a black tie gala event to honor three officers, acquitted of charges in the [Freddie Gray](#) case. I can't imagine it, but these officers received a standing ovation like they were heroes. They were having a good time on the back of the deceased Freddie Gray. They accepted the award and were greeted with a standing ovation. Yes, this is true. The Media Research Center put a different spin on the event. The say no one ever thanked the officers or apologized for their lives being ruined...well Hello, at least they are still alive. I was amazed that the officers were received with a standing ovation amongst a thunderous applause... wow. Did it ever occur to them that Mr. Gray died because they did not ensure his safety while in

their custody? As reported by The Daily Beast, one of the officers said, "Thank you for all your support. Our profession is hurting. We need your love, we need your support, and we need your prayers. We're losing officers at an incredible rate. Not just from gunfire but because they're tired of it. They quit. Our department is short. Nobody wants to be a police officer anymore. Please hold us in your love, your prayers." This officer never apologized for his role in the death of Freddie Gray, never showed any empathy to the family of the deceased. He just stood among his supporters as a hero. These officers should be removed from the Police force. How can persons so lacking in compassion, understanding and judgment serve and protect the public? How could the officers attend this type of event? Where was their conscious? Well, if that doesn't scare every citizen in the Baltimore metropolitan area I don't know what will. I can't imagine having a cele-



bration of honor because a man died while in police custody and the officers charged in his death were cleared of the charges. I'm not sure how that makes them heroes. Wake up people, we have a problem. Is it a coincidence that all three of the officers being honored were white? If my memory serves me correctly there were three white and three black officers. Were

the black officers invited? There should be a way to remove these officers from the force, because it's obvious to many Baltimoreans that these officers are not fit to serve the community after accepting this award.

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