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The National Ice Hockey Officials Association (NIHOA) condemns in the strongest possible terms the vicious, violent and reprehensible physical attack perpetrated on two young Pacific Northwest Amateur Hockey Association officials. We extend our support to and stand with these officials, their families, the Pacific Northwest Amateur Hockey Association and all our fellow officials who suffer harassment and abuse from players, coaches or parents.

As one of the premier hockey officiating organizations we advocate and support fair play, a safe positive environment and respect for all parties. NIHOA supports and advocates for a Zero Tolerance policy of conduct. The outrageous, disgusting behaviour and actions of the individual who attacked these young officials cannot be tolerated.

We hope that the legal proceedings that have been commenced against the alleged perpetrator results in the swift administration of justice and an award of appropriate damages to the two officials. We are also very happy to learn that the two young officials are recovering from this terrible incident and encourage them to continue their officiating careers when they are ready, as they will have our full and unwavering support.

Bruce Bagley, President

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