

## THE NEW ZEALAND BRAVERY DECORATION (N.Z.B.D.)

### ISAAKO, Mr Junior Faamalosi (Losi)

Date of action: 20 June 2025

Date of award: 13 December 2025

#### *Citation*

Mr Losi Isaako was asleep at his home in a residential area of Flaxmere on the morning of 20 June 2025, when he was awoken by the sound of loud arguing. Moving outside, he saw multiple people fighting, and then witnessed a man being chased by an offender brandishing a large knife. Mr Isaako witnessed the offender pin the man against a vehicle opposite his property, stabbing him once in the back and twice in the back of the leg.

Another man joined the offender with the knife and they began kicking and punching the victim, who was now curled into the foetal position next to the car. Mr Isaako ran towards the attackers, prompting the second man to flee. Just before the offender was about to stab the victim again, Mr Isaako kicked the offender in the back, causing him to fall against the car. Mr Isaako put the offender into a hold, throwing him to the ground, and restraining the offender. The offender was still in possession of the knife and struggling to break free, prompting Mr Isaako to grab the offender's arm, hitting it against the road until the knife was dropped. While continuing to restrain the offender, Mr Isaako threw the knife away from the area.

Mr Isaako noticed the victim required urgent medical attention, so he instructed the wounded man to move to a safer location on the other side of the road. He released the offender and moved to assist the victim. Mr Isaako dragged the victim onto a grass verge and wrapped a towel as a makeshift tourniquet around the wound on the victim's leg. Mr Isaako placed the victim in the recovery position and applied pressure to the other wounds. When Police arrived, Mr Isaako continued to assist the officers with first aid as they waited for the ambulance.

Mr Isaako's timely intervention prevented further harm and allowed the victim to be stabilised, before being taken to hospital in a critical condition.