Vince and Vance Moss easily deserved to be named this years Physician of the Year, both internationally recognized, award winning surgeons from New York City who just completed yet another tour of duty in Iraq.

July 1, 2008 - PRLog -- Vince and Vance Moss, M.D.’s, surgeons, soldiers and international heros have been honored, yet again, for doing what they were put on this earth to do. They were honored with the annual AmeriHealth "Physician of the Year". I believe it’s the first time it's been given to two people in one year. The standing ovation was immense.

As said to me before I met them in person, just by standing next to them you can feel that something amazing is happening here. The “Hot Docs” who could easily become millionaires if they wrote a book are even mums the word when asked when and if they are writing one. Well why not, there is a reason why these two are quickly becoming the most recognized physicians in the country, let alone the World, since Ben Carson and Sunjay Gupta.

If you didn't see them pictured with President Bush during a celebration at the White House recently, then maybe you saw the CNN video of them with President Bush at the same celebration toe tapping away and making jokes as if they were best friends.

Reaching so ideally high, adhering so adamantly to the principles of selflessness and patriotism, Vincent LaVaughn Moss and Vance JoShaun Moss offer more than a decade of accomplished-laden experience in service to their community and nation. Most recently, Vince and Vance were challenged with organizing an amazing act of patriotism and courage. They coordinated the efforts of the U.S. military, U.S. State Department and Northwest Medical Team for the arrival of an 8 year old boy and his father to New York City for completing the surgery they started while serving on a special mission to Afghanistan. This is just one of many examples that would exemplify the true meaning of being a true American. Vince and Vance’s entire life is a reflection achieving beyond the limits, building bonds between different ethnic and religious groups while inspiring others to do the same.

The Moss’s journey began a special one indeed when they were born twins on April 25, 1971. Their mother, an Oceanographer, encouraged them to concentrate on science while their father, a correctional officer and Vietnam Veteran, handled most of the discipline. Although their parents were divorced, having each other was a special gift that made not having a traditional upbringing a non-factor. It was with each other that they developed a sense of teamwork early on. It was quite evident when they earned Eagle Scout, the highest honor in Boy Scouts at the tender age of 14, and the Amelia Earhart Award in the Civil Air Patrol at Age 15. They went on to graduate from Oxon Hill High School Science and Technology Center in 1989 where they excelled in school to be nominated by Congressman Honorable Steny Hoyer to the United States Military Academy. They eventually opted to go to the Pennsylvania State University where they majored in Science and was accepted into 7 medical schools. Along the way, Vince ran alongside his brother for the USG president/vice-president ticket to raise awareness and identify the problems for minorities at one of the largest and most prestigious national institutions. They came in second place, winning 33% of the vote, the largest in that schools history for a minority ticket.

While at Temple University Medical School, they dedicated themselves to inspiring other less fortunate kids to accept science in their lives developing a mentorship program which still exist at Temple today. The principles and ideals of this program have extended to other medical schools across the country. Their involvement in the Army Reserve Medical Corps distinguished themselves among his peers by earning the Army Commendation Medal and Army Achievement medal while challenged by the rigors of medical...
school and earning a prestigious residency position in General Surgery at SUNY Brooklyn and Urology at New York Medical College. Vince completed his fellowship in Cardiothoracic Surgery at SUNY Brooklyn as well. Vance completed a fellowship in Renal Transplantation after finishing his urology residency.

While in residency, they not only excelled in his field, but also volunteered to serve in the Army Reserve Medical Corps, even when it was authorized to defer service until after completing residency. They eventually were promoted to the rank of Major at the earliest possible chance and was activated and served in Operation Enduring Freedom. It was during this phase of their life which allowed them an unprecedented opportunity, never done before in the history of military medicine, to treat civilians outside of Kabul on a special act of courage which caught the attention of the world alike earning them many medals of achievement, including the Global War on Terror Achievement Medal. They were featured in EBONY magazine and Essence magazine for these achievements in the Fall of 2006. They also received some of the highest civilian awards given in the United States, including the Ellis Island Medal of Honor and the Trumpet Award where they were featured on CNN. They were honored to be named ABC News World News Tonight with Charles Gibson as “Person of the Week” just before being deployed for Operation Iraqi Freedom in February 2008.

Vince and Vance are currently in private practice in New Jersey as well as an attending in Cardiothoracic Surgery and Transplant Surgery at Crozer Chester Medical Center. Vance actually spearheaded the development of the transplant center.

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