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Master Chief Edward Byers is the founder of the Minerva 6 Group, a renowned organization specializing in culture creation, team building, and leadership coaching. In addition, he is a professional speaker, sharing his inspirational stories on overcoming adversity, embracing masculinity, managing the hard pivot, and holding on to your faith while in the military, to all types of organizations around the world.

Prior to his retirement, Master Chief Byers dedicated 21 years of service to the U.S. Navy as a Navy SEAL and Hospital Corpsman. Notably, he holds the distinction of being the 6th Navy SEAL and the first member of the legendary SEAL Team 6 to receive the prestigious Medal of Honor. This esteemed recognition was awarded for his courageous actions resulting in the successful rescue of an American Doctor held hostage in Afghanistan. In addition, has 5 Bronze Stars with Valor, 2 Purple Hearts, and a multitude of other valorous awards.

Master Chief Byers is a graduate of Norwich University, where he earned his Bachelor of Science. He further enhanced his expertise by obtaining an MBA from The Wharton School. Additionally, he is recognized as a Pat Tillman Scholar and has been inducted into the SOCOM Commando Hall of Fame, Ohio Hall of Fame,