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Fury U18's Bachman and Lebarre Sign NAHL Junior A Tenders for 2008

Chicago Fury Midget Major Players Ryan Bachman and David Lebarre have signed Tender Contracts to play for the Alaska Avalanche of the North American Hockey League for the 2008 Jr. A Hockey Season. The announcement was made by Chicago Fury Head Coach Nick Pollos.



Bachman and Lebarre become the first Chicago Fury Players in history to make their Junior A commitments while other members of the team look to make similar commitments in the weeks to come. "I am so happy for both these young men and their families" said an elated Fury Head Coach Nick Pollos. "These guys worked very hard for this. Coach Smith at Alaska is getting two extremely talented and committed players with excellent character."

Bachman, the 6'0 / 170lb Orland Park, IL native, currently has a line of 10 goals, 15 assists and 55 pims in 32 games for the Fury. Bachman, a solid two way centerman plays in all situations for the Fury while chipping in with five points on the power play and two points short handed. "Ryan is solid two way kid who plays hard in the D zone and can contribute offensively as well." When asked about people who Ryan wanted to thank, he had this to say, "A special thanks most importantly to my parents, who have supported me all these years and also my teammates and Coach Pollos."

At 5'8" and 145lbs, Lebarre, a Palos Hills, IL native, brings skill and work ethic to the Avalanche. The line on Lebarre is 6 goals, 12 assists and 43 pims in 32 games for the Fury, including a game winning goal and 3 points on special teams. "David is a skilled kid who can create, and make plays with the puck," says Pollos. "He battles hard and plays well in traffic. Both these kids will be solid additions to the Avalanche team next year." When Lebarre was asked about the

opportunity he has, he made it clear on who has helped him along the way. "I have to thank my parents who have done allot for me. But also Coach Nick. He really has helped me get to where I am right now. He gave me a chance here without knowing much about me and has been a big part of this."

The Chicago Fury competes in the Midwest Elite Hockey League, which is considered by most as the top AAA Hockey League in the United States.