From: Commandant

To: Commodore Robert E. Nelson II, USCG Auxiliary

Subj: LETTER OF COMMENDATION

- 1. I note with pride and am pleased to commend you for your performance of duty while serving as Assistant National Commodore for Public and Government Affairs from November 2010 to July 2011. Demonstrating inspirational leadership and sharp administrative skill, you spearheaded the creation of new Directorates and ensured that they seamlessly aligned with their counterpart programs at Coast Guard Headquarters. You tirelessly fostered increased communications between key Headquarters and district personnel to expand and enhance the role of Auxiliary public outreach and government interaction. In October 2010, you oversaw Auxiliary participation at the U.S. Coast Guard Innovation Expo in Tampa, Florida. This allowed several Auxiliary program initiatives to be showcased to Coast Guard senior leadership and key vendors who worked with the Coast Guard. Your efforts required close coordination with senior Auxiliary leaders and program managers, and the Innovation Expo organizing team. The significant Auxiliary presence that you facilitated cemented the value of future Auxiliary participation in this high-profile forum.
- 2. You are commended for your outstanding performance of duty. By your meritorious service, you have upheld the highest traditions of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary.
- 3. You are hereby authorized to wear the Auxiliary Commandant's Letter of Commendation Ribbon Bar.

For the Commandant,

M. D. RIZZO
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard
Chief, Office of Auxiliary and Boating Safety