The Commandant of the United States Coast Guard takes pleasure in presenting the COAST GUARD MERITORIOUS TEAM COMMENDATION to

MEC Christopher M. Pupo Family Support Team

For services as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For meritorious service from 6-29 June 2012. During this period, members voluntarily organized a team in support MEC Christopher M. Pupo and his family in a time of great stress and need. Upon recognizing the significant administrative support and logistical requirements needed of a terminally ill shipmate, members of the Family Support Team offered invaluable insight into organizing survivor benefits and planning and coordinating funeral arrangements. Collectively, the team spent untold hours working with family, US Coast Guard, US Army, and New York City Police Department representatives orchestrating an array of complex program details that ensured the success of this highly visible and emotional event. The team worked meticulously to coordinate countless numbers of small, ceremonial details associated with military funerals, with each team member leveraging his or her expertise into the program planning. Team members worked tirelessly to expertly navigate significant logistical hurdles as well as several last-minute service augmentations to ensure MEC Pupo's family, guests, and fellow service members experienced a ceremony rich in Coast Guard history and one that recognized the extraordinary contributions of Chief Pupo. The dedication, pride and professionalism displayed by each member of the MEC Christopher M. Pupo Family Support Team reflect great credit upon themselves, their respective commands, and the United States Coast Guard."

For the Commandant,

Christopher E. Fink

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