



**AWARD OF THE PRESIDENTIAL SERVICE CENTER
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takes pleasure in commending

Mr. John Kaufmann, CFE, CEC, AAC, HOF, HGT

for service as outlined in the following

CITATION: For the superior performance of duty as a previously appointed rank of a one-star Admiral on official orders of the United States Navy and selfless service in travel and time donated to the Captain Edward F. Ney Award program and under the then control of the International Food Services Executives Association. Chef Kaufmann traveled the world over in support of our fighting forces to inspect, evaluate, and judge military units in his opinions, reports, and examinations for the famed awards program.

Whether underwater on a nuclear submarine or upon the deck of a ship, Chef Kaufmann met steel with an iron wish to teach and share amongst our armed forces. Where there were no stairs - he used the metal ladder attached to the bulkhead. Routinely throughout a long period of 50+ years, Mr. Kaufmann mentored many in a giving way to help further careers, celebrate others, and create momentum in dozens of associations of hoteliers and restaurateurs. His scholarship efforts are well-noted as he has chaired over 100 committees while uncompensated. Recognition at the highest levels across world bodies of chefs has been in many medals, and the time for the people of his country to celebrate his life force is upon us. From those who protect and serve the Presidency of the United States of America, we salute you this day of March 14, 2020.

Chef Kaufmann's exceptional abilities, personal initiative, and loyal dedication to duty reflect great credit upon himself, the citizens of America. They are recognized by the almost 50,000 alumni members of the US Presidential Service Center.

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