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MEMORANDUM

From:  A. B. Dennelly, CDR
CGC Northland (WMEC 904)

To: Cameron J. Ward, MK3

Subj: LETTER OF APPRECIATION

1. I note with pride and am pleased to commend you on your performance of duty while serving on board USCGC NORTHLAND (WMEC-904) from March 2023 until September 2023. You displayed pride, eagerness to learn, and devotion while serving as a valued member of the Auxiliary Division. You assisted with maintenance and casualty corrections on the many pieces of auxiliary equipment including the air conditioning units, reverse osmosis machine, fin stabilizer system, refrigeration units, emergency diesel generator, air compressors, and auxiliary sea water systems. Most notably, when NORTHLAND's Emergency Diesel Generator failed in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, you demonstrated exceptional dedication, adaptability, and resourcefulness, contributing to a 70-hour unplanned overhaul of the Emergency Diesel Generator jacket water system. You demonstrated skill and followership assisting with this project the very first day you joined the cutter. Your efforts enabled NORTHLAND to meet safe to sail requirements and continue her operational mission in support of Operation Vigilant Sentry. Furthermore, you assisted in the emergent patching, removal, and replacement of leaking auxiliary sea water piping, and saving the Coast Guard \$50,000 by using your skills rather than hiring a contractor. Your reliability, willingness, and positive attitude will surely be missed aboard the USCGC NORTHLAND.

2. Your dedication and devotion to the NORTHLAND and her crew are most heartily commended and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Coast Guard. I wish you the best in your future adventures, fair winds and following seas. Bravo Zulu!

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