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From: Commanding Officer, [REDACTED]

To: Navy Office of Community Outreach (Attn: LT [REDACTED])

Subj: NOMINATION FOR 2017 AMERICAN LEGION SPIRIT OF SERVICE AWARD ICO
[REDACTED] USN

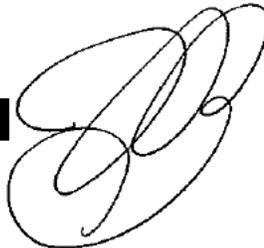
Ref: (a) NAVADMIN 075/17

Encl: (1) [REDACTED]
(2) [REDACTED]
(3) [REDACTED]

1. Per reference (a), it is my distinct pleasure to nominate [REDACTED] for selection as the 2017 American Legion Spirit of Service Award for outstanding volunteer community service.

2. Petty Officer [REDACTED]'s achievements over the past year are simply astounding. During this period, he organized, coordinated, and participated in countless community relations projects with Marine Corps Community Service (MCCS), City of Carlsbad, Habitat for Humanity, Surfriider Foundation and I Love a Clean San Diego totaling 376 hours. He distinguished himself as a positive role model and admirable citizen through his heartfelt dedication and superior performance as a community volunteer. His participation and devotion in community service embodied a powerful message of pride, professionalism, and commitment, which set a positive example and represents the Navy's Core Values. Over the past year, he has shown tireless dedication and generosity in committing personal time as a volunteer, which had a profound effect on regional relationships in the Pacific. Petty Officer [REDACTED] has been a true Navy ambassador who selflessly devoted his time to the community. His dedication to excellence and commitment of volunteerism places him among the Navy's elite, which makes him the ideal candidate, and represents the true meaning of "SPIRIT OF SERVICE." If selected, we will coordinate for his attendance to the national convention in Reno, Nevada from 18 to 24 August 2017.

3. Please contact [REDACTED] at commercial [REDACTED] or email at [REDACTED] for amplifying information or questions.

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DATA SHEET FOR AMERICAN LEGION SPIRIT OF SERVICE AWARD

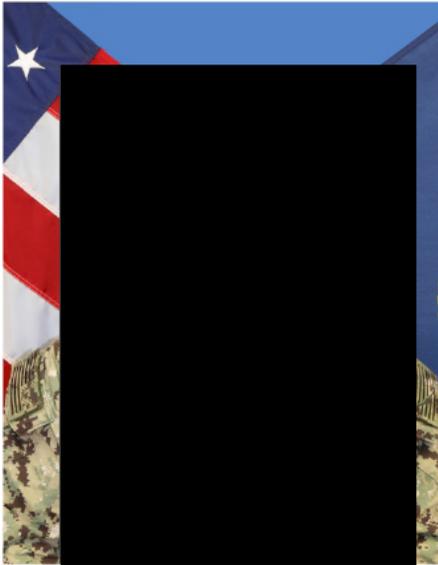
- A. Last Name [REDACTED]
- B. First Name [REDACTED]
- C. Middle Initial [REDACTED]
- D. Rate [REDACTED]
- E. Current Duty Station
And Unit Address [REDACTED]
- F. Work and/or Personal Email [REDACTED]
- G. Work and/or Personal Phone Number [REDACTED]
- H. Name, Rank, Phone Number, Email,
And Mailing Address of Unit Leadership [REDACTED]
- I. Home of Record [REDACTED]
- J. Unit Point of Contact
Name, Phone Number,
And Email Address [REDACTED]
- K. **Statement of Availability:** Petty Officer [REDACTED] will be available to attend the American Legion National Convention in Reno, NV from 19 August to 23 August 2017.

Description of Volunteer Efforts During CY16

1. Support for the elderly.
 - a. Volunteer Action(s): Selflessly devoted off duty hours performing maintenance and small home repairs including the removal and installation of new roofing shingles on a 600 square foot roof for the family of a deceased neighbor. Assisted the widow of an Army veteran in relocating from base housing to a new apartment.
 - b. Leadership role: Demonstrated great initiative by organizing the cleanup effort and needed volunteers (6).
 - c. Impact of actions: His leadership and devotion to care for the needs of the elderly members of this community are beyond reproach. Petty Officer ██████████ always put the needs of others ahead of himself.
 - d. Time: 26 hours over 4 days, July-August 2016.

2. ██████████ Elementary School, ██████████, MS; and ██████████ Elementary School, ██████████, MS.
 - a. Volunteer Action(s): Participated in the ██████████ Elementary School “Power Up” reading program designed to assist in developing student reading and comprehension skills. Constructed three planter boxes at ██████████ Elementary for science students to plant seeds, learn about agriculture, and how to care for plants.
 - b. Leadership role: As a volunteer, his patience and calm demeanor provided students with a relaxed, judgment free learning environment that instills confidence and pride.
 - c. Impact of actions: He provided mentorship and guidance along with positive reinforcement to the children. This project continues to build and strengthen the bond between the U.S. Navy and the local community.
 - d. Time: 8 hours over 2 days, February-March 2016.

3. Community Service.
 - a. Volunteer Action(s): During the Christmas season, ██████████ and his family worked at a local community center serving, boxing, and delivering meals for local families in need.
 - b. Leadership role: Petty Officer ██████████ worked alongside 30 other military and civilian volunteers selflessly giving back to the local community’s families in need, assisting other volunteers in serving, boxing, and delivering over 2,000 holiday meals. His unselfish leadership streamlined the process enabling meal distribution to be completed in record time.
 - c. Impact of actions: His giving nature and community leadership were key factors in the success of the holiday meal program. He is a role model for his family, instilling in them the desire to help those less fortunate.
 - d. Time: 6 hours over 1 day, December 2016.



[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] *Training Center*
UNITED STATES NAVY

[REDACTED] is a native of [REDACTED]. He graduated from [REDACTED] High School in [REDACTED]. After graduating, he reported to RTC Great Lakes, IL, in [REDACTED]. Upon completion of Recruit Training, he attended [REDACTED] "A" School at Naval [REDACTED] Training Center, [REDACTED], and transferred to [REDACTED].

During his tour of duty with [REDACTED], his deployments were to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom serving as a sub crew leader on [REDACTED]; Rota, Spain, where he served as a Safety Supervisor; and Cambodia where he served as a crew leader for one bathroom facility at an elementary school, then as project supervisor for three additional maternity wards. He advanced to [REDACTED], received his [REDACTED], and transferred in August [REDACTED].

Petty Officer [REDACTED] then reported to Naval Technical Training Center for the Navy Instructor Training Course (NITC) at Corry Station, Pensacola, FL. Upon graduation of NITC, Petty Officer [REDACTED] reported to [REDACTED], for [REDACTED] "C" School. He transferred to Naval [REDACTED] Training Center, [REDACTED], in March [REDACTED], where he is a [REDACTED] "A" School Instructor and became Master Training Specialist (MTS) and Navy Military Training Instructor (NMTI) qualified. [REDACTED] collateral duties include: NMTI, Assistant Command Fitness Leader, Base/Command Sexual Assault Prevention Response Victim Advocate, Vice President of the E5/6 Association, Duty Master-at-Arms Watchbill Coordinator, Assistant MTS Coordinator, and various other collateral duties.

Petty Officer [REDACTED] is a designated [REDACTED] Combat Warfare Specialist. His awards include Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Army Meritorious Unit Commendation, Navy "E" Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal (2 awards), National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (3 awards), Expert Rifle Ribbon, Expert Pistol Ribbon, and various personal awards.

[REDACTED] is married to the former [REDACTED] of [REDACTED], and resides in [REDACTED]. They have been happily married for [REDACTED] years and have a pet chocolate lab, [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] enjoys spending as much time in the outdoors as possible. He is an avid outdoorsman and tries to go home to [REDACTED] whenever given the opportunity. Petty Officer [REDACTED] also enjoys spending time with his family, to whom he is very close.



■ Apr 17

From: ■■■■■, USN

Subj: CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

1. I, ■■■■■ do hereby authorize the release of all information enclosed in this nomination package to those persons involved in the selection process.
2. Thank you very much for your consideration.



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