

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
THE COMMANDANT OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
HAS AWARDED THE

COAST GUARD COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO MICHAEL J. DORIA LIEUTENANT UNITED STATES COAST GUARD RESERVE FOR

SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE OF DUTY FROM AUGUST 2006 TO APRIL 2011

GIVEN THIS 1st DAY OF AUGUST 2011



For the Commandant K. L. SCHULTZ

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard Governmental and Public Affairs

CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF

THE COAST GUARD COMMENDATION MEDAL (GOLD STAR IN LIEU OF A SECOND)

TO

MICHAEL J. DORIA LIEUTENANT UNITED STATES COAST GUARD RESERVE

LT DORIA is cited for outstanding achievement while serving as the First District regional coordinator of the Coast Guard Pipe Band from August 2006 to April 2011. Demonstrating superior leadership, remarkable project management skills, and logistics expertise, he worked tirelessly, volunteering well over 2000 hours over the five year period, to coordinate and plan more than 30 Pipe Band events in the First District and beyond. He assembled the largest-ever pipe band ensembles to perform in two consecutive St. Patrick's Day parades in New York City, the world's largest and longest parade for the holiday. He also coordinated band participation in the ceremony to designate Rockland, Maine as a Coast Guard City; the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard's change of watch ceremony; pre-and post-deployment ceremonies for Coast Guard units; international performances in both Kuwait and Iraq; and numerous funerals, civic ceremonies, patriotic events, and retirements. Whenever possible, LT DORIA arranged free or low-cost berthing for pipe band members, off-setting band members' travel expenses and making it possible for more USCGPB members to attend events. His superb mentoring, enthusiastic demeanor and selfless concern for the needs of pand members and event organizers created an atmosphere of elevated morale and teamwork. This positive environment ensured successful performances of the USCGPB and reflected positively on the entire Coast Guard. LT DORIA'S exemplary leadership, unparalleled resourcefulness and networking skills enhanced the professionalism and musicality of the Pipe Band and paved the way for continued growth and success. Lieutenant DORIA'S dedication, judgment, and devotion to duty are most heartily commended and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Coast Guard.

