

Proclamation of the United States Coast Guard



WHEREAS, the people of Sitka, Alaska, share a special and unique history with the United States Coast Guard and have provided a home for the Coast Guard since 1977; and

WHEREAS, the Coast Guard presence in the City has grown and evolved, with the cultivation of a mutually supportive and beneficial relationship between local Coast Guard units and the people of Sitka; and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Sitka coordinates a community-wide Sitka Coast Guard City Celebration featuring activities and complimentary food and beverages for Coast Guard personnel and their families every few years; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska Southeast (UAS), located near base housing, provides college courses and seminars with in-state tuition rates for Coast Guard active duty and veterans, their spouses, and children; and

WHEREAS, the people of Sitka encourage Coast Guard families to participate in educational programs, support scholarship programs for Service members and families, and seek spouses as aides and substitute teachers or volunteers at local schools or institutions; and

WHEREAS, the Sitka Chamber of Commerce honors members of the Coast Guard as "Community Heroes" at its Chamber Banquet every five years. Also, the Chamber prepares "Welcome to Sitka" bags featuring information about Sitka Schools, businesses, recreational opportunities, and events, including special coupons for Coast Guard personnel to use in local businesses, and provides "Silver Saver Discount Cards" in each bag; and

WHEREAS, the friendliness and hospitality of Sitka are reflected in the multitude of special events throughout the year and services including discounts from businesses for Coast Guard members and their families in the community to honor their contributions to the nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KARL L. SCHULTZ, Commandant of the United States Coast Guard, in accordance with Public Law 105-383 enacted by the United States Congress and signed by the President on November 13, 1998, do hereby take great pleasure in proclaiming that Sitka, Alaska, is to be officially recertified as a "Coast Guard City."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ninth day of February, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-two.


Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard
Commandant