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TRIBUTE TO THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD EIGHTH DISTRICT

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FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 2022
COAST GUARD FOUNDATION TWENTY-EIGHTH TRIBUTE TO THE COAST GUARD EIGHTH DISTRICT

PROGRAM FOR THE EVENING

Admiral Thad Allen, USCG (Ret.)
Master of Ceremonies

WELCOME REMARKS
Thomas Allegretti
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Eighth District Color Guard

NATIONAL ANTHEM

INVOCATION
Commander Jennifer Bowden, USN
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REMARKS AND SPONSOR RECOGNITION
Susan Ludwig
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2022 COAST GUARD FOUNDATION EIGHTH COAST GUARD DISTRICT AWARDS PRESENTATION

DINNER
Music Provided by Victory 6

SPECIAL TRIBUTE IN MEMORY OF
Otto Candies, Jr.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Admiral Karl Schultz, USCG
Commandant of the United States Coast Guard

SERVICE MEDLEY
Performed by Victory 6

CLOSING REMARKS
Nicki Candies
Dinner Committee Co-Chair
Director, Coast Guard Foundation

DESSERT & DANCING
Musical Performance by KARMA

DINNER COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRS:
Nicki Candies and Cherrie Felder

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Admiral Karl L. Schultz assumed the duties as the 26th Commandant of the United States Coast Guard on June 1, 2018. As Commandant, he oversees all global Coast Guard operations and 41,000 active-duty, 6,200 reserve, and 8,500 civilian personnel, as well as the support of 25,000 Coast Guard Auxiliary volunteers. He previously served from August 2016 to May 2018 as Commander, Atlantic Area where he was the operational commander for all Coast Guard missions spanning five Coast Guard Districts and 40 states. He concurrently served as Director, DHS Joint Task Force-East, responsible for achieving the objectives of the DHS Southern Border and Approaches Campaign Plan throughout the Caribbean Sea and Eastern Pacific Region, including Central America.

Prior flag assignments include Director of Operations (J3), U.S. Southern Command in Doral, Florida; Commander, Eleventh Coast Guard District in Alameda, California; and Director of Governmental and Public Affairs at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Previous operational assignments include Sector Commander in Miami, Florida, as well as command tours aboard Cutters Venturous, Acacia and Farallon. His senior staff assignments include Chief of the Office of Congressional and Governmental Affairs; Congressional Liaison to the U.S. House of Representatives; Liaison Officer to the U.S. Department of State, Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Assignment Officer at the Coast Guard Personnel Command; and Command Duty Officer in the Seventh Coast Guard District Operations Center in Miami.

A native of Connecticut, Admiral Schultz graduated from the Coast Guard Academy in 1983, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering. In 1992, he was awarded a Master’s Degree in Public Administration from the University of Connecticut, and in 2006, completed a one year National Security Fellowship at Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government. He and his wife, Dawn, have five children — Kelsey, Lindsey, Annallise, Eric, and Zachary.

His personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, four Legions of Merit, four Meritorious Service Medals, three Coast Guard Commendation medals, two Coast Guard Achievement Medals and various other personal and unit awards.

Rear Admiral Richard V. Timme serves as the Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District and is responsible for Coast Guard operations spanning 26 states, including the Gulf of Mexico coastline from the Florida panhandle to our nation’s border with Mexico, the adjacent offshore waters and outer continental shelf, and the inland waterways of the Mississippi, Ohio, Missouri, Illinois and Tennessee River systems. His previous Flag assignment was as the Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy where he was responsible for the development of national policy, standards, and programs for waterways management, navigation and boating safety, ports and facilities, merchant mariner credentialing, marine casualty investigation, commercial vessel inspections, and port state control.

His operational experience includes serving as Commander of Coast Guard Sector Ohio Valley, as well as the Commanding Officer of Marine Safety Unit Pittsburgh. During the 2010 Deepwater Horizon oil spill response he served as a Deputy Incident Commander and Federal On-Scene Coordinator Representative in Mobile, Alabama. Other field assignments include Marine Safety Office Tampa; Marine Safety Office Portland, Maine; Resident Inspection Office St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands; and Marine Safety Office New Orleans. He also served as a Deck Watch Officer on the Coast Guard Cutter Mellon.

His staff assignments include tours at the Coast Guard Headquarters Office of Budget and Programs as both the Office Chief, and as a program reviewer, and at the Department of Justice’s El Paso Intelligence Center.

Rear Admiral Timme served as a Secretary of Defense Executive Fellow, and holds master degrees from the National War College in National Security Strategy and from the George Washington University in Public Administration. He is a 1991 graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy where he received a Bachelor of Science in Government. He is a Coast Guard Type 1 Incident Commander.

A Connecticut native, his awards include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Coast Guard Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Coast Guard Achievement Medal, Commandant’s Letter of Commendation Ribbon, and various unit awards.
IN LOVING MEMORY OF

MR. OTTO CANDIES, JR.

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Otto Candies, Jr., joined the Coast Guard Foundation Board of Directors in 1990 and faithfully served in that capacity until 2013 when the Board voted to confer the title of Trustee Emeritus in recognition of his many years of dedicated service and support. Otto served in various roles throughout his time with the board, including on the Executive Committee. He is best known among the board for his part in creating and chairing the New Orleans Dinner, along with Boysie Bollinger.

The story of this event begins in 1993. The chairman of the Fairmont Hotel Company, Richard Swig, who was a long-time Foundation board member, invited his friend, Dick Bollinger, to the Coast Guard Foundation’s Pacific Area Awards Dinner in San Francisco. Dick attended along with his nephew, Boysie, and Otto. After the celebration, Richard challenged them to return to New Orleans and put together an event to benefit the Foundation that would rival theirs. They eagerly accepted the challenge, which resulted in one of the Coast Guard Foundation’s signature events — The New Orleans Tribute to the Coast Guard’s Eighth District. Now in its 28th year of jubilance, the event has raised nearly $10 million for the Coast Guard Foundation, for which we are forever grateful.

Otto passed away on February 21, 2021. He was 82 years old. We will forever remember Otto’s generosity and commitment to the Coast Guard Foundation for more than thirty years. And our New Orleans event will continue to honor his legacy for many years to come.
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Hurricane Ida was a devastating storm that developed in the Southeast Caribbean and strengthened to a Category IV hurricane within 72 hours. When it made landfall on August 29 near Port Fourchon, Louisiana, with 150 MPH winds the storm caused widespread damage and power and water outages impacting more than one million residents of Southeast Louisiana. It also caused catastrophic impacts on ports, waterways, and marine interests. Hurricane Ida was second only to Hurricane Katrina in strength and in the destruction it caused to Louisiana. The storm also killed more than 80 people in eight states and caused $95 billion in damages nationwide.

When hurricanes hit, the members of the U.S. Coast Guard respond, with boats, ships, aircraft, and the knowhow and relationships to save lives, mitigate damage, and rapidly rebuild.

In the immediate aftermath of Hurricane Ida, Coast Guard members from Sector New Orleans and supporting units saved 12 lives and assisted 412 others. They also reacted to 11 major marine casualties and coordinated the response to 2,495 pollution cases, 273 destroyed or damaged vessels, and 406 aids to navigation that were knocked out of commission. Coast Guard members also performed more than 87 aircraft overflights providing situational awareness to responders and decision-makers that assisted the community-wide response.

The Port of New Orleans is the largest tonnage port in the United States and the third-largest in the world with 316 million tons of cargo moving via 5,500 foreign vessel and 90,500 barge transits annually. The port is vital to 21 states and more than 10,300 miles of waterways including the Mississippi, Ohio, Missouri, Illinois, Tennessee, and Arkansas rivers with an economic impact of $4.6 trillion.

Working with industry, federal, state, and local partners, the 17 units and 1,190 military, civilian, and auxiliary members of Sector New Orleans partially opened the heavily damaged waterways of the Lower Mississippi in only three days and fully opened them in less than a week. They also continued to address damage in the Intracoastal Waterway, the ports, and with Louisiana’s offshore energy infrastructure.

This rapid, coordinated response allowed maritime traffic that was vital, not only to impacted communities but to the nation, to again begin flowing. The massive effort included not only Coast Guard members from the New Orleans area, but also involved more than 700 other members from around the Gulf Coast.

While the men and women of the Coast Guard continue to perform the work necessary to rebuild following this devastating storm, it is important to acknowledge that they simultaneously ensure safe and lawful commerce, defend America’s borders, and protect the maritime environment. They remain Semper Paratus — Always Ready.
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For more than 50 years, the Coast Guard Foundation has been a vital partner of the United States Coast Guard, assisting the service and its members through the toughest challenges confronting our heroes and their families.

The Foundation’s work strengthens the entire community. Through close collaboration with Coast Guard leadership, our investments support families, bolster unit morale, honor the Coast Guard’s service at the national level, and more.

Since our founding in 1969, we’ve provided more than $80 million in services to Coast Guard members and their families. The Coast Guard Foundation ensures Coast Guard members are always ready, and their families are taken care of while their loved ones serve our country.

Thanks to our generous partners, the Coast Guard Foundation has:

- Funded $45 million in education initiatives, helping thousands within the Coast Guard community—members, spouses, and children—achieve their dreams of higher education
- Awarded more than 17,500 grants to Coast Guard members for college tuition or professional training, enhancing their duties and setting them up for success after their service ends
- Invested $25 million in fitness and wellness services for Coast Guard members’ physical and mental health
- Provided nearly $2 million in emergency support for members and their families impacted by natural disasters

The brave men and women of the Coast Guard sacrifice so much to serve our nation. The Coast Guard Foundation is committed to providing all members and their families the resources they need to build resilience throughout their lives when it’s needed most.