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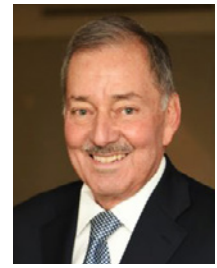

Welcome to our **Texas Salutes the Coast Guard** event. Now in its fifth year, we are proud to come together again to honor our Coast Guard heroes serving the great state of Texas. We are grateful for your unwavering commitment to the Coast Guard Foundation, especially over this past year. Your continued support makes a lasting impact on Coast Guard members and families across this great nation.

We know that Coast Guard members sacrifice so much to serve our nation, and we are committed to helping them build strong and resilient lives. The Coast Guard Foundation has answered the call for over fifty years, and no matter the challenges we encounter, we will continue to fulfill our mission. As long as there's a United States Coast Guard, there will be a Coast Guard Foundation providing support to those who serve.

Please enjoy tonight's tribute and we look forward to seeing you when we can gather together again.

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Our tribute dinners are important to fulfilling our mission to support Coast Guard members and their families stationed across the country. When COVID-19 struck, we were forced to cancel our events in New York, Florida, Hawaii, Alaska, and California, putting much of this support at risk. These generous benefactors allowed us to apply their sponsorship dollars from our canceled events to a full-mission gift, making it possible for us to continue to meet the needs of the Coast Guard in all of our program areas — including education, health and wellness initiatives, and tragedy assistance for families that suffer unimaginable loss. Thank you for your continued partnership.

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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, Annaliese, 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.

ADMIRAL CHARLES W. RAY

VICE COMMANDANT
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Admiral Charles W. Ray assumed the duties as the 31st Vice Commandant on May 24, 2018. As the Vice Service Chief and Chief Operating Officer, Admiral Ray executes the Commandant's Strategic Intent, manages internal organizational governance and serves as the Component Acquisition Executive.

Prior to this appointment, Admiral Ray served as the Deputy Commandant for Operations, responsible for establishing and providing operational strategy, policy, guidance and resources to meet national priorities for Coast Guard missions, programs and services.

His previous flag officer assignments include Pacific Area Commander, Deputy Pacific Area Commander, the Fourteenth Coast Guard District Commander, service with U.S. Forces Iraq as Director of the Iraq Training and Advisory Mission for the Ministry of Interior, and the Military Advisor to the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security.

A native of Newport, Arkansas, he graduated from Coast Guard Academy in 1981. After an assignment as a deck watch officer aboard Coast Guard Cutter *Acushnet* (WMEC-167), he was selected for Naval Flight Training and earned his wings in 1984.

He served at six Coast Guard Air Stations from Alaska to the Caribbean accumulating over 5,000 hours of helicopter flight time. Admiral Ray was designated as an Aeronautical Engineer in 1988 and served as Engineering Officer at three stations and at the Aviation Logistics Center as the Program Manager for the development of the Coast Guard's Aviation Logistics Management System. He commanded Coast Guard Air Station Borinquen in Puerto Rico from 2002 through 2005. Admiral Ray is the longest serving active duty Coast Guard aviator which has earned him the distinction of being Coast Guard's 25th Ancient Albatross.

His staff assignments include a tour as Chief of the Office of Performance Management at Coast Guard Headquarters followed by a tour as the Chief of Staff of the Fourteenth Coast Guard District. Admiral Ray earned a Master of Science Degree in Industrial Administration from Purdue University and a Master of Science Degree in National Resource Strategy from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in Washington, D.C.

Admiral Ray's personal awards include the Coast Guard Distinguished Service Medal, five Legion of Merit Medals, one Bronze Star Medal, two Meritorious Service Medals, one Coast Guard Air Medal, three Coast Guard Commendation Medals, and the Coast Guard Achievement Medal.

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PORT HOUSTON

The Port of Houston is a 25-mile-long complex of nearly 200 private and public industrial terminals along the 52-mile-long Houston Ship Channel. The eight public terminals are owned, operated, managed or leased by the Port of Houston Authority and include the general cargo terminals at the Turning Basin, Care, Jacintoport, Woodhouse, and the Barbours Cut and Bayport container terminals. We're the largest port on the Gulf Coast and the biggest port in Texas.

Each year, more than 247 million tons of cargo move through the greater Port of Houston, carried by more than 8,200 vessels and 215,000 barges. The port is consistently ranked 1st in the United States in foreign waterborne tonnage; 1st in U.S. imports; 1st in U.S. export tonnage and 2nd in the U.S. in total tonnage. It is also the nation's leading breakbulk port, handling 52 percent of project cargo at Gulf Coast ports.

The port has been instrumental in the city of Houston's development as a center of international trade. It is home to a multi-billion petrochemical complex, the largest in the nation and second largest in the world. Carrier services on all major trade lanes link Houston to international markets around the globe. The ship channel also intersects a very busy barge traffic lane, the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway.

Centrally located on the Gulf Coast, Houston is a strategic gateway for cargo originating in or destined for the U.S. West and Midwest. Houston lies within close reach of one of the nation's largest concentrations of 152 million consumers within 1,000 miles. Ample truck, rail and air connections allow shippers to economically transport their goods between Port Houston and inland points.

The port is vital to the local, state and national economy and the maintenance and improvements of the public facilities ensures its continued economic impacts. Keeping the port secure so that business can flow freely is also an essential responsibility. As the local sponsor of the Houston Ship Channel, the Port Authority plays an important role in the management and environmental stewardship of this important waterway.

RIC CAMPO

CHAIRMAN, PORT HOUSTON

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Ric Campo is Chairman of the Port Commission of the Port of Houston Authority. He was appointed to the position in January of 2019 by the City of Houston and Harris County Commissioners Court and was sworn in February 7.He also serves as chairman of the Board of Pilot Commissioners of Harris County Ports, which oversees ship pilot matters.

Mr. Campo is Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Camden Property Trust and has served in this capacity since May 1993. He joined a private Houston real estate company after graduating from Oregon State University in 1976, and co-founded Camden's predecessor companies in 1982.

Mr. Campo serves on the Board of Directors of several organizations that focus on the economic development, business outlook and future growth of Houston, including Central Houston, Inc. and the Greater Houston Partnership. Mr. Campo is the past Chairman of the Houston First Corporation, a local government corporation that facilitates the city's economic growth through the business of conventions and the arts. He also was past chairman of the Houston Super Bowl Host Committee, responsible for Super Bowl LI festivities and logistics, including Super Bowl Central, the Business Connect Program and the Committee's charitable arm.

Mr. Campo holds strategic roles within the real estate industry. He is currently a member of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, where he serves on the Board, and the National Multifamily Housing Council, which he formerly chaired, as well as the Urban Land Institute.

Mr. Campo also is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

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YOUR IMPACT SO FAR IN 2020

COAST GUARD FOUNDATION SUPPORT FOR THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

The Coast Guard Foundation strengthens the Coast Guard community and service by remaining *Semper Paratus* for members and their families, where and when they need it the most. The coronavirus pandemic has made fulfilling this mission especially challenging this year. Thanks to the generosity of our supporters we are meeting the challenge in all areas of need.

FAMILY RESILIENCE ▸

- **Emergency support totaling $274,000** has been delivered for 170 projects around the country in response to the pandemic, including 125 quarantine spaces to help Coast Guard members who are isolating and quarantining, as well as support for 26 cutters on extended deployment, and health and wellness resources for small Coast Guard units and four training centers responding to emerging challenges because of the coronavirus.
- **Disaster relief totaling more than $250,000** has been distributed to more than 130 Coast Guard members and families impacted by natural disasters this year — these disasters stretched coast to coast in 2020, and include wildfires in the west, a devastating storm in the mid-west, and four high-impact storms in the Gulf Coast and Florida.

EDUCATION ▸

- **More than $500,000 in scholarship awards** went to 167 college-aged Coast Guard kids who are enrolled in college and technical/trade schools, pursuing their bachelor's degrees.
- **Two Fallen Heroes Scholarships** have been awarded to the children of Coast Guard members who paid the ultimate sacrifice. These scholarships cover 100 percent of their college expenses, allowing them to attend the college of their choice worry-free.
- **Support for the Coast Guard Academy** continues to cover a wide-reaching set of priorities, including academic enrichment, cadet activities, athletics and waterfront/sailing activities. Our Robert J. Flynn Pathway to Achievement fund provides critical support for diversity and inclusion initiatives.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ▸

- **Workforce Development Programs** have provided 199 Coast Guard members with professional certifications, including aircraft-maintenance and captains' licenses. We are launching a virtual captain's license course program in this last quarter of the year, to benefit up to 60 Coast Guard members.
- **Coast Guard Spouse Grants valued at $147,500** were awarded to 265 Coast Guard spouses pursuing their college degrees and professional certifications — a record year!

HEALTH AND WELLNESS ▸

- **89 projects, valued at more than $222,150,** have been funded across the country to support health and wellness at Coast Guard units and help members remain *always ready* by maintaining their physical and mental well-being while at sea or stationed in remote areas.
- **Grants of $5,000 are provided to each new fast response cutter in the fleet** to help them establish their health and wellness priorities. Support for Coast Guard cutter commissionings has continued during the pandemic, and we will also support the new National Security Cutter with a $10,000 grant for morale initiatives identified by the onboard crew.
- **We are piloting an initiative that provides counseling and life-skill resources for Coast Guard families**, through a partnership with the Coast Guard Chaplain Support Program, to help families connect and build positive, supportive relationships. To date, 10 Coast Guard Chaplains have been trained in the Chaplain PREP Program.

COMMUNITY ▸

- **We've raised more than $25,000 for our Fallen Heroes Scholarship program** and tragedy assistance support for Coast Guard families through Our Run to Remember program, which went virtual because of the pandemic, and the Workout to Remember, which was held in person in February before the virus restrictions went into effect.
- **We reimagined our planned Summer Camp Program in Hawaii and San Diego** because of challenges with the pandemic and pivoted to help families with virtual learning and individual enrichment programs.

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