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From: Superintendent, Coast Guard Academy
To: CAPT Donald R. Grosse 387 50 2441, USCG
Via: Commander, Pacific Area (Aof)

Subj: LETTER OF APPRECIATION

1. Thank you for your participation in the 1991 Cadet Summer Training Program, specifically regarding your involvement in the Ocean Racing Training Program. Your professional expertise and experience were vital to the success of the program. Your perspective, that of a Commanding Officer of a major cutter, was both unique and invaluable, causing us to reshape the program to better meet the needs of the cadets and the fleet.

2. This past summer's Ocean Racing Training Program saw a major reemphasis of basic seamanship and navigation skills. You were a major contributor to this effort, providing valuable input to the development of new Navigation Standards and then to their enforcement. Your innovated ideas in training cadets in seamanship and navigation have proved extremely effective and will continue to be used in the future. The Ocean Racing Training Program provides cadets a unique opportunity to spend an extended amount of time on the water, operating in a myriad of weather conditions, both day and night, with limited navigation tools, while stressing the basics of piloting and seamanship. Your participation in this program was vital to the program's success.

3. I recognize the special job demands placed upon each one of us assigned to the Academy. Our responsibility to graduate the best prepared officers possible is an enormous one. I sincerely appreciate your contribution and excellent report this past summer.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "T. T. Matteson".

T. T. MATTESON

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1. It is a pleasure to forward Rear Admiral Matteson's letter of appreciation, which recognizes your extraordinary contributions made towards the 1991 Cadet Summer Training Program. You can take pride in your efforts to upgrade this essential program and I am confident that your contribution to the Ocean Racing Training Program will bear fruit for years to come.

2. Keep up the good work.



A. BRUCE BERAN

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