Date: MM/DD/YYYY

From: Supervisor Name

Subject: Hazardous Duty Service Ribbon – Officer Name and Rank

To: IHS Division of Commissioned Personnel – LCDR Karsten Smith

THRU: Alaska Area Awards Coordinator, Katrina Caudle

Officer Name and Rank is hereby nominated for the Public Health Service Hazardous Duty Ribbon. Officer Name and Rank was on continuous active duty in the Alaska Area between MM/YYYY and MM/YYYY. During that time interval, LCDR regularly undertook the hazards associated with travel in rural Alaska.

In the routine course of performing regular duties, Officer Name and Rank repeatedly flew in Airplane Type (single engine fixed-wing aircraft). Destinations of these flights were remote villages with marginal, uncontrolled airstrips with limited, if any, navigational aids. Unpredictable and rapidly changing weather and icing conditions add significant risk, especially when these small planes cannot “fly above” the weather due to the mechanical limitations of the aircraft or the necessity of adhering to visual flight rules. One other factor present in these flights is the variable-skill level of the pilot. Because of the transient nature of a large number of pilots at charter air services, the pilot may be “qualified” but hardly experienced with the conditions he/she may encounter.

I hereby request your consideration of Officer Name and Rank for the Hazardous Duty Ribbon. He has completed the number of chartered flights to qualify for the award as presented in the awards requirement memorandum dated February 26, 1987 and the revision outlined in the December, 1994 Commissioned Corp Bulletin.

If you need any additional information, please contact me at XXX-XXX-XXXX.

Supervisor Name

Attachments: Flight List

Flight List – Officer Name and Rank

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