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George Washington Chapter Sons of the American Revolution Washington State

In Re: Nomination for a Posthumous Law Enforcement Commendation Certificate and Medal

Greetings,

I, as a member of the George Washington Chapter and retired Law Enforcement Professional nominate **Skagit County Deputy Sheriff Anne Jackson** for the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Award.

Deputy Anne Jackson was well loved by her colleagues, who after her death have created a special Deputy Anne Jackson Award that they bestow annually upon members of the agency where she worked, the Skagit County Sheriff's Office.

Deputy Jackson worked for 6 years at Skagit County Sheriff's Office, initially as an animal control officer, then later Deputy Sheriff. She was known for her humor, and for warm and calming disposition, and for always striving for excellence. It is said she developed her skills through her many years of riding horses competitively, and as a riding instructor. She was an integral member of her shift team, and exceeded the job requirements of Deputy Sheriff.

On September 2, 2008, Deputy Jackson responded in a patrol car to an incident involving a known mentally ill man. Later, when she did not respond to dispatchers, other responding deputies found her murdered on the scene at a location in Alger, along with another victim. The incident continued to other locations with the suspect being responsible for 6 separate acts of murders that day.

After her death, approximately 4,000 people attended her memorial service at Burlington High School.

The loss of Deputy Jackson is just as vivid today to many, as it was in 2008. For that reason, the Deputy Anne Jackson Award was created as a tribute to her memory, as well as an inspiration to the recipients that are selected to receive it. This is an attestation that Deputy Sheriff Anne Jackson was "exceptional" when she was living and performing her duties to the citizens of Skagit County, and continues to be "exceptional" posthumously.

I submit the name of Deputy Sheriff Anne Jackson to the George Washington Chapter into nomination for the Law Enforcement Commendation award.

Respectfully,

Kevin Coyne, Law Enforcement Commendation Chair