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May 10th, 2021

Mr. Kevin Coyne Sons of the American Revolution

Dear Mr. Coyne,

The purpose of this communication is to nominate Skagit County Sheriff Chief Annette Lindquist for the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal.

Chief Annette Lindquist's career began in February 1988 as a corrections deputy for the Skagit County Sheriff's Office. She would move to patrol in 1991 and she would serve in many roles. Chief Lindquist became an accomplished K-9 Handler with the department and would serve honorably for several years in this position. Chief Lindquist was promoted to patrol sergeant and she continued to show her strong leadership skills while providing a nurturing environment that inspires others. Chief Lindquist would take over the supervision of the Field Training Program in 2008 and for over five years she helped to create a model program, earning the "Meritorious Service Award" for excellence in service.

In 2013, Chief Lindquist was recognized with the Skagit County "Deputy Anne Jackson Award". This award is given to honor those who have made a positive difference in the lives of others and demonstrates a commitment to public service. Chief Annette Lindquist has given so much of herself for the betterment of our community and for the Skagit County Sheriff's Office over the past several years. She has been instrumental in the success of the annual Anne Jackson Memorial Picnic, helping keep Anne's memory alive. Annette has been the longtime president of the Skagit County Sheriff's Office Benevolent Association, guiding our memberships, ongoing commitment and service to those in need. In addition, Annette has volunteered her time to be a part of the 'What if' Program, a project directed at providing inroads to juveniles in need of guidance and understanding. Annette has also volunteered to help with women who have been incarcerated as a positive mentor in their lives. Through the years, Annette has been involved in many voluntary projects, such as "Shop with a Hero" and the annual "East Detachment Christmas Family" program.

Recently, Chief Lindquist organized the COVID-19 vaccination efforts for local first responders, court staff and other government employees, receiving high praise for the effective and smooth operations.

Chief Annette Lindquist exemplifies the characteristics of teamwork, commitment, thoughtfulness, charity, selflessness, humanity and humor that is so critically important for a long term career in public service.

Chief Annette Lindquist had been on the leading edge of the evolution of policing over thirty years. She has been a positive influence and a mentor for so many in law enforcement. She willingly gives of her time for the betterment of the citizens of which she proudly serves as the public servant she has committed her life to.

Thank you for considering this nomination and all that the Sons of the American Revolution do for our community and nation.

Sincerely, om ME Dunto

Don McDermott, Skagit County Sheriff