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Subj: RETIREMENT CEREMONY FOR COMMANDER MARK F. SILBERNAGEL

Encl: (1) Retirement Ceremony Script
(2) Hangar Bay USS LEXINGTON Ceremonial Setup Chart

1. Purpose. To outline responsibilities and request assistance, as required per enclosure (1) for the retirement ceremony in honor of CDR Silbernagel.

2. Information. CDR Silbernagel will retire after 21 years of honorable service on Friday, 16 March 2018 onboard USS LEXINGTON. The ceremony will commence at 0900 followed by a reception on the fantail of the USS LEXINGTON. A rehearsal will be held at 1500, Thursday, 15 March 2018 onboard USS LEXINGTON.

a. The following personnel are designated members of the retirement ceremony Staff Action Group:

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| Presiding Officer | RADM Bynum |
| Ceremony Coordinator | CDR Silbernagel |
| Master of Ceremonies | LCDR Huebner |
| Guest Speaker | CDR Jenkins |
| Ceremony Chaplain | Decan Shaunessy |
| Award Presentation | RADM Bynum |
| Sideboy | CDR Sowles |
| Sideboy | CDR Patras |
| Sideboy | LCDR Carpenter |
| Sideboy | LCDR Havenhill |
| Sideboy | LCDR Cox |
| Sideboy | LCDR Geeseman |
| Head Usher | CDR Moritsch |
| Usher | LCDR Immecker |
| Usher | TW4 Student |
| Usher | TW4 Student |
| Ceremonial Support Coordinator | AWSC Sikes |
| Ceremonial Support | TW4 Student Detail |
| Color Guard Coordinator | AWSC Sikes |

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| Color Guard | NASCC Detail |
| Honors Boatswain | NASCC Detail |
| Bell Ringer | NASCC Detail |
| The Watch | LCDR Huebner |
| Sound Engineer | Mr. Tijerina |
| LOA/Certificates/Awards | Mrs. Lund |
| Public Affairs/Photography | LT Feaster |
| Programs | Mr. Stewart |
| Cake | Mrs. Silbernagel |
| Flowers | CDR Silbernagel |
| Invitations | CDR Silbernagel/ Mrs. Lund |
| Working Party Coordinator | ENS Maloney |
| Working Party | TW4 Student Detail |
| Lot Greeter (Walkie Talkie) | TW4 Student |
| Lot Greeter | TW4 Student |
| LEX Entrance Greeter (Walkie Talkie) | TW4 Student |
| LEX Entrance Greeter | TW4 Student |

b. USS LEXINGTON POC: Ms. Rebekah Everhart, (361)888-4873, ext 305.

3. Action Officers/Items

a. Action Officer: CDR Silbernagel is the overall ceremony coordinator.

b. Action Items:

(1) Public Affairs:

(a) Provide photographer for event.

(b) Draft and release announcement after retirement ceremony to the following publications:

1. Hook
2. NAS Corpus Christi WINGSPAN
3. Corpus Christi Caller-Times
4. Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel

5. CNATRA Facebook

(c) Ensure base marquee leaving base on 16 March, 2018 states the following:

Farewell, Fair Winds and Following Seas
Commander Mark Silbernagel, Wife and family.
Thank you for 21 years of service.

(2) Administrative Officer:

(a) Provide certificates from the President of the United States, the Governors of Texas and Wisconsin, and Letters of Appreciation for wife, Adela and children, Caroline M., and Luke F. Silbernagel.

(b) Overall responsibility for retirement award.

(3) Chief Sikes:

(a) Arrange color guard support (for rehearsal and retirement ceremony).

(b) Arrange for Honors Boatswain.

(c) Arrange for Bell Ringer.

(d) Coordinate for working party that will bring a podium, a red carpet, bullets, a bell, and four chairs for the official party to the USS LEXINGTON. Also coordinate the setup of those items, as well as chairs and tables provided by the USS LEXINGTON for the rehearsal and retirement ceremony aboard USS LEXINGTON.

(4) Commander, Training Air Wing FOUR:

(a) Provide eight ceremonial support personnel who will serve as greeters, ushers, and awards handlers. They will also serve as a working party. Report time for working party shall be 1430 on 15 March in PT/working attire for setup and rehearsal. Report time for ceremony shall be at 0800 on 16 March, followed by tear-down; wear dress uniform and bring PT/working attire.

4. Uniform

a. Participants: Full Dress Whites (Choker Whites) or equivalent with large medals.

b. Sideboys: Full Dress Whites (Choker Whites) or equivalent with large medals and white gloves.

c. Usher/Award Handler/Greeter: Service Dress Whites (Choker Whites) or equivalent with ribbons.

d. Color Guard: Full Dress Whites (Choker White) or equivalent with ribbons and white gloves.

e. Military Guests: Flight Suits, khakis or equivalent.

f. Civilian Guests: Business casual.



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Chief of Staff

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**RETIREMENT CEREMONY SCRIPT
CDR MARK F. SILBERNAGEL
UNITED STATES NAVY**

Thu, 15 MARCH

- 1430 - STAGE AND CEREMONY SET UP.
- 1500 - TEST SOUND SYSTEM AND MUSIC.
- 1500 - REHEARSAL INCLUDING: CDR SILBERNAGEL, MASTER OF CEREMONIES, CEREMONIAL SUPPORT COORDINATOR, SOUND ENGINEER, BOATSWAIN'S MATE, BELL RINGER, SIDE BOYS, HEAD USHER, COLOR GUARD, TW4 DETAIL.

Fri, 16 MARCH

- 0800 - PARTICIPANTS ARRIVE. COMMENCE FINAL WALK THROUGH.
- 0830 - ESCORTS STAND-BY TO ESCORT VISITORS TO THEIR SEATS IN THE HANGAR. **CEREMONIAL PRELUDE MUSIC BEGINS.**
- 0853 - MASTER OF CEREMONIES AND MR. DEACON SHAUNESSEY TAKE POSITION ON STAGE.
- 0855 - **PRELUDE MUSIC TERMINATES.**
- MC:** - WILL THE GUESTS AND FAMILY PLEASE TAKE YOUR SEATS.
- 0900 - RETIREMENT CEREMONY COMMENCES.

MC: GOOD MORNING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, AND WELCOME ABOARD THE HISTORIC USS LEXINGTON FOR THE RETIREMENT CEREMONY OF COMMANDER MARK SILBERNAGEL, UNITED STATES NAVY.

I AM LCDR HUEBNER, YOUR MASTER OF CEREMONIES.

IN JUST A FEW MINUTES, WE WILL RENDER HONORS FOR THE ARRIVAL OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY.

THIS IS CUSTOMARY FOR SUCH AN IMPORTANT OCCASION. PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

Enclosure (1)

FOR VISITORS TO USS LEXINGTON, YOU ARE WELCOME TO OBSERVE TODAY'S RETIREMENT CEREMONY.

MC: WILL THE GUESTS PLEASE RISE AND REMAIN STANDING FOR THE ARRIVAL OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY, THE NATIONAL ANTHEM, AND INVOCATION. MILITARY MEMBERS - COVER.

MC: SIDEBOYS - POST.

(SIX SIDEBOYS ARE READY IN PLACE STANDING ONE PACE BACK)

(BOS'N GIVES TWO VEERS ON PIPE TO CUE FOUR SIDEBOYS TO TAKE ONE STEP FORWARD)

***** BELL RINGER STRIKES FOUR BELLS *****

MC: COMMANDER, UNITED STATES NAVY, ARRIVING.

(CDR SILBERNAGEL PIPED THROUGH FOUR SIDEBOYS AND WAITS BY STAGE TO GREET CDR JENKINS AND RADM BYNUM)

***** BELL RINGER STRIKES FOUR BELLS *****

MC: COMMANDER, UNITED STATES NAVY, ARRIVING.

(CDR JENKINS PIPED THROUGH FOUR SIDEBOYS AND WAITS BY STAGE TO GREET RADM BYNUM)

(BOS'N GIVES TWO VEERS ON PIPE TO CUE TWO SIDEBOYS TO TAKE ONE STEP FORWARD)

***** BELL RINGER STRIKES SIX BELLS*****

MC: CHIEF OF NAVAL AIR TRAINING, ARRIVING.

(RADM BYNUM PIPED THROUGH SIX SIDEBOYS AND REMAINS AT THE END OF THE CARPET FOR MUSIC)

MUSIC: ***** RUFFLE AND FLOURISH *****

(CDR SILBERNAGEL AND CDR JENKINS GREET RADM BYNUM AND THEY PROCEED TO STAGE. CDR JENKINS TAKES FARTHEST CHAIR, FOLLOWED BY CDR SILBERNAGEL AND RADM BYNUM. ALL REMAIN STANDING)

(BOATSWAIN'S MATE WILL GIVE THE ORDER FOR SIDEBOYS TO POST AND GO TO THEIR SEATS)

MC: COLOR GUARD. . . . PARADE THE COLORS.

(COLOR GUARD PARADES THE COLORS)

(ONCE COLOR GUARD IS IN PLACE, BELOW CENTER STAGE, THE NATIONAL ANTHEM STARTS)

MUSIC: NATIONAL ANTHEM

MC: RETIRE THE COLORS.

(COLOR GUARD EXITS THE CEREMONY)

MC: MILITARY MEMBERS, UNCOVER AND REMAIN STANDING.

MC: DEACON DAN SHAUNESSEY WILL DELIVER THE INVOCATION.

(CHAPLAIN DELIVERS INVOCATION THEN RETURNS TO HIS SEAT)

MC: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE BE SEATED.

MC: ADMIRAL BYNUM
ADMIRAL RETIRED QUINN
CAPTAIN STARKEY
CAPTAIN SANCHEZ
COMMODORE RIVERA
CAPTAIN MORILLO
COLONEL RETIRED MERKEL
COLONEL RETIRED MIDDLETON
COLONEL RETIRED REDMAN
MASTER CHIEF RETIRED SHAUNESSEY, DEACON OF THE CATHOLIC
CHURCH
MASTER CHIEF RETIRED WATSON
MASTER CHIEF RETIRED SHEPPARD
DISTINGUISHED GUESTS
ADELA, CAROLINE, AND LUKE
HONORED GUESTS
CNATRA FAMILY
SHIPMATES
FAMILY AND FRIENDS

WELCOME TO THIS SPECIAL OCCASION, THE RETIREMENT CEREMONY OF
COMMANDER MARK SILBERNAGEL FROM THE UNITED STATES NAVY.

THIS CEREMONY IS THE FINAL STAGE IN A VERY FULL AND PRODUCTIVE
CAREER THAT SPANNED 21 YEARS OF NAVAL SERVICE; IN THIS TIME-
HONORED NAVAL TRADITION, YOU WILL WITNESS SPEECHES HONORING
CAREER ACCOMPLISHMENTS, PRESENTATION OF AWARDS, AND OTHER
CEREMONIAL TRADITIONS THAT COMMEMORATE COMMANDER SILBERNAGEL'S
STELLAR SERVICE TO OUR NATION.

MC: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, TODAY'S GUEST SPEAKER IS COMMANDER
ERIC JENKINS, UNITED STATES NAVY.

MC: COMMANDER ERIC JENKINS IS A NATIVE OF OSSINING, NY. HE
GRADUATED FROM THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK MARITIME
COLLEGE, RECEIVING A BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING DEGREE IN NAVAL
ARCHITECTURE AND A UNITED STATES COAST GUARD 3RD MATE'S
UNLIMITED LICENSE. HE HAS A MASTERS OF ARTS DEGREE IN NATIONAL
SECURITY AND STRATEGIC STUDIES FROM THE NAVAL WAR COLLEGE, AND
HAS AMASSED MORE THAN 3,600 FLIGHT HOURS IN NAVAL AIRCRAFT,
INCLUDING THE CH-46 SEA KNIGHT AND T-6 TEXAN II. HIS MANY
ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDE HELICOPTER COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON SIX,
TRAINING SQUADRON SIX, COMMANDER NAVAL AIR FORCES RESERVE, AND
NATO SUPREME ALLIED COMMAND TRANSFORMATION HEADQUARTERS. HE IS
CURRENTLY SERVING AS THE CHIEF STAFF OFFICER FOR TRAINING AIR
WING SIX IN PENSACOLA, FL.

MC: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE WELCOME TO THE PODIUM,
COMMANDER JENKINS.

***** APPLAUSE *****

***** CDR JENKINS' REMARKS *****

***** APPLAUSE *****

(CDR JENKINS RETURNS TO HIS SEAT)

MC: AT THIS TIME, WE WILL PRESENT NUMEROUS AWARDS AND
RECOGNITIONS. WE WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN WITH COMMANDER
SILBERNAGEL'S WIFE, ADELA.

*** USHERS ESCORTS MRS. SILBERNAGEL, CAROLINE AND LUKE TO THE STAGE ***

(USHERS REMAIN TO THE SIDE TO ESCORT FAMILY BACK AFTER AWARD PRESENTATION)

(RADM BYNUM AND CDR SILBERNAGEL JOIN FAMILY AT CENTER OF STAGE FOR PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES)

MC: ADELA COMES FROM THE CALALLEN AREA OF CORPUS CHRISTI. SHE MET MARK IN 2004, AND THEY'VE BEEN MARRIED FOR NEARLY 11 YEARS. SHE IS JOINED BY THEIR TWO CHILDREN, CAROLINE AND LUKE.

MC: ADMIRAL BYNUM WILL NOW PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FROM THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO ADELA SILBERNAGEL.

(AWARD HANDLER HANDS MRS. SILBERNAGEL'S CERTIFICATE TO RADM BYNUM)

MC: THE CERTIFICATE READS AS FOLLOWS:

PLACEHOLDER FOR CERTIFICATE

***** APPLAUSE *****

MC: ADMIRAL BYNUM WILL NOW PRESENT CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION FROM THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO COMMANDER SILBERNAGEL'S CHILDREN, CAROLINE AND LUKE.

(AWARD HANDLER HANDS CERTIFICATES TO RADM BYNUM)

MC: THE CERTIFICATES READ AS FOLLOWS:

PLACEHOLDER FOR CERTIFICATE

***** APPLAUSE *****

(USHERS ESCORT FAMILY BACK TO THEIR SEATS.)

MC: THANK YOU TO THE SILBERNAGEL FAMILY FOR YOUR SERVICE.

MC: WE WILL NOW HONOR COMMANDER SILBERNAGEL WITH AN AWARD. WILL THE GUESTS PLEASE RISE? MILITARY PERSONNEL, RISE AND COVER.

(PAUSE)

(AWARDS HANDLER HANDS AWARD TO RADM BYNUM)

MC: ATTENTION TO AWARD!

MC:

PLACEHOLDER FOR AWARD ABBREVIATED READING

***** APPLAUSE *****

MC: WILL THE GUESTS PLEASE BE SEATED. MILITARY MEMBERS PLEASE UNCOVER AND BE SEATED.

***** APPLAUSE *****

MC: COMMANDER SILBERNAGEL WILL NOW BE PRESENTED WITH CERTIFICATES COMMEMORATING HIS SERVICE. PLEASE HOLD APPLAUSE UNTIL AFTER THE READING OF ALL CERTIFICATES.

MC: FIRST, A PRESIDENTIAL CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION. IT READS, IN PART:

(AWARD HANDLER HANDS CERTIFICATE TO RADM BYNUM FOR PRESENTATION)

PLACEHOLDER FOR ABBREVIATED CERTIFICATE

(AWARD HANDLER TAKES BACK CERTIFICATE AND PLACES ON DISPLAY TABLE)

MC: NEXT, A CERTIFICATE FROM THE GOVERNOR OF TEXAS, THE CITATION READS IN PART:

(AWARD HANDLER HANDS CERTIFICATE TO RADM BYNUM FOR PRESENTATION)

PLACEHOLDER FOR ABBREVIATED CERTIFICATE

(AWARD HANDLER TAKES BACK CERTIFICATE AND PLACES ON DISPLAY TABLE)

MC: NEXT, A CERTIFICATE FROM THE GOVERNOR OF WISCONSIN, THE CITATION READS IN PART:

(AWARD HANDLER HANDS CERTIFICATE TO RADM BYNUM FOR PRESENTATION)

PLACEHOLDER FOR ABBREVIATED CERTIFICATE

(AWARD HANDLER TAKES BACK CERTIFICATE AND PLACES ON DISPLAY TABLE)

MC: COMMANDER SILBERNAGEL WILL NOW BE PRESENTED WITH A NATIONAL ENSIGN COMMEMORATING HIS 21 YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR NATION AND NAVY. THIS FLAG WAS FLOWN OVER THE USS HARRY S. TRUMAN ON FEBRUARY 20TH, 2018, AND DEPARTED THE SHIP VIA C-2A GREYHOUND.

(AWARD HANDLER PRESENTS FLAG TO CDR SILBERNAGEL AS MC TALKS AND THEN RETURNS TO THE AWARD TABLE)

(RADM BYNUM RETURNS TO SEAT)

MC: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE WELCOME TO THE PODIUM, COMMANDER MARK SILBERNAGEL.

(CDR SILBERNAGEL PROCEEDS TO THE SPEAKER PODIUM)

***** CDR SILBERNAGEL'S REMARKS *****

(ON CUE, USHERS BRING FLOWERS TO MRS. SILBERNAGEL)

(ON CUE, USHERS BRING GIFTS TO CAROLINE AND LUKE)

(ON CUE, USHERS BRING FLOWERS TO MRS. PARADERO (MOTHER-IN-LAW))

***** APPLAUSE *****

(CDR SILBERNAGEL REMAINS STANDING)

(CDR SILBERNAGEL AND LCDR HUEBNER COVER)

(LCDR HUEBNER RECITES THE WATCH)

MC: FOR 21 YEARS THIS SAILOR HAS STOOD THE WATCH. WHILE SOME OF US WERE IN OUR BUNKS AT NIGHT, THIS SAILOR STOOD THE WATCH. WHILE SOME OF US WERE IN SCHOOL LEARNING OUR TRADE, THIS SHIPMATE STOOD THE WATCH. YES, EVEN BEFORE SOME OF US WERE BORN INTO THIS WORLD, THIS SHIPMATE STOOD THE WATCH. IN THOSE YEARS WHEN THE STORM CLOUDS OF WAR WERE SEEN BREWING ON THE HORIZON OF HISTORY, THIS SHIPMATE STOOD THE WATCH. MANY TIMES HE WOULD CAST AN EYE ASHORE AND SEE HIS FAMILY STANDING THERE, NEEDING HIS GUIDANCE AND HELP, NEEDING THAT HAND TO HOLD DURING THOSE HARD TIMES, BUT HE STILL STOOD THE WATCH. HE STOOD THE WATCH FOR 21 YEARS. HE STOOD THE WATCH SO THAT WE, OUR FAMILIES, AND OUR FELLOW COUNTRYMEN COULD SLEEP SOUNDLY IN SAFETY EACH AND EVERY NIGHT KNOWING THAT A SAILOR STOOD THE WATCH. TODAY WE ARE HERE TO SAY "SHIPMATE, THE WATCH STANDS RELIEVED. RELIEVED BY THOSE YOU HAVE TRAINED, GUIDED AND LED.

(LCDR HUEBNER TURNS TO CDR SILBERNAGEL AND SALUTES)

MC: COMMANDER SILBERNAGEL, YOU STAND RELIEVED, WE HAVE THE WATCH.

(CDR SILBERNAGEL RETURNS THE SALUTE.)

(CDR SILBERNAGEL AND LCDR HUEBNER UNCOVER)

MC: ADMIRAL BYNUM WILL PRESENT COMMANDER SILBERNAGEL WITH HIS RETIREMENT CERTIFICATE.

(AWARD HANDLER HANDS RETIREMENT CERTIFICATE TO RADM BYNUM FOR PRESENTATION TO CDR SILBERNAGEL)

(RADM BYNUM AND CDR SILBERNAGEL TAKE CENTER STAGE)

MC: THE CITATION READS AS FOLLOWS:

PLACEHOLDER FOR CERTIFICATE

(AWARD HANDLER TAKES CERTIFICATE AND PLACES ON DISPLAY TABLE)

***** APPLAUSE *****

(RADM BYNUM AND CDR SILBERNAGEL RETURN TO THEIR SEATS)

MC: DEACON SHAUNESSY WILL NOW DELIVER THE BENEDICTION.

(DEACON SHAUNESSY APPROACHES PODIUM AND DELIVERS BENEDICTION.)

(DEACON SHAUNESSY RETURNS TO SEAT)

MC: BOATSWAIN . . . STANDBY TO PIPE THE SIDE . . . COMMANDER GOING ASHORE.

BOS'N: "AYE AYE SIR!"

(BOS'N MATE STANDS BY WITH SIDE BOYS, READY TO POST AT MC'S COMMAND)

MC: THIS ORDER HAS BEEN PASSED ON NAVAL SHIPS FROM THE 1500'S THROUGH TODAY. SPANISH, FRENCH, ENGLISH, DUTCH. YES, ALL NAVIES OF THE WORLD USE THE BOATSWAIN, SIDEBOYS AND CALL TO BRING ABOARD OR SEND ASHORE ALL SHIP'S COMPANY OFFICERS, VISITING OFFICERS, AND DIGNITARIES.

THE SIDEBOYS WOULD HAUL ON THE ROPES AND RAISE OR LOWER THE BOARDING PLATFORM SO OFFICERS WOULD NOT HAVE TO CLIMB THE RAT LINES WHICH WERE HANGING OVER THE SIDE AND USED BY THE ENLISTED CREW WHEN GOING ASHORE OR TO GET ABOARD. THIS HONOR WAS EXTENDED TO VISITING OFFICERS, DIGNITARIES, AND PORT OFFICIALS.

IT WAS NOT UNCOMMON FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF A SHIP TO ORDER UP THE JOLLY BOAT, A CREW OF EIGHT STRONG BACKS, SIDEBOYS, AND BOATSWAIN TO SEND AN OLD SHIPMATE ASHORE, ASHORE TO HIS RETIREMENT HOME, NEVER TO SAIL ON NAVAL SHIPS AGAIN.

"ALL HANDS ON DECK" WAS PASSED, SPEECHES WERE MADE ABOUT GREAT VICTORIES, BATTLES FOUGHT UPON THE OPEN SEA, RAGING STORMS WEATHERED, AND VOYAGES TO DISTANT AND STRANGE LANDSWITH PORTS-OF-CALL OTHERS ONLY DREAMED ABOUT.

THEN, A FINE SWORD, A BRACE OF PISTOLS, A RIFLE OR MUSKET, OR MAYBE A SEA CHEST OF FINE WOOD AND BOUND IN BRASS WAS PRESENTED TO REMIND HIM OF CREWS AND SHIPS WITH WHICH HE HAD SERVED.

THE BOATSWAIN WOULD STAND TALL THE SIDEBOYS, AND THE RETIREE WOULD REQUEST PERMISSION TO GO ASHORE; HE STEPPED TO THE PLATFORM AND THE SIDEBOYS WOULD LOWER AWAY. AS THE JOLLY BOAT PULLED AWAY, THE GUNNER WOULD FIRE A SALUTE FROM THE SHIP'S MAIN BATTERY, AND THE RETIREE SAT IN THE STERN SHEETS.....GOING ASHORE.

TODAY, WE STOP ALL ENGINES, LAY ABOUT SMARTLY, AND DROP ANCHOR TO PAY HONOR TO ONE OF OUR SHIPMATES GOING ASHORE. WE HONOR THE YEARS SERVED, THE GUIDANCE, THE LEADERSHIP, THE FRIENDSHIP, AND THE EXPERTISE THAT THIS SHIPMATE HAS FREELY GIVEN FOR 21 YEARS.

SHORTLY, COMMANDER SILBERNAGEL WILL REQUEST PERMISSION TO GO ASHORE FOR THE LAST TIME.

MC: SIDEBOYS - POST.

(BELL RINGER AND SIDEBOYS RETURN TO THEIR POSITIONS, SIDEBOYS ONE PACE BACK FROM CARPET. ON BOS'N COMMAND, FOUR SIDEBOYS TAKE ONE PACE FORWARD AND PREPARE TO PIPE CDR SILBERNAGEL ASHORE)

MC: WILL THE GUESTS PLEASE RISE AND REMAIN STANDING FOR THE DURATION OF THE CEREMONY. MILITARY MEMBERS PLEASE COVER.

MC: COMMANDER SILBERNAGEL WILL NOW REQUEST PERMISSION TO GO ASHORE FOR THE FINAL TIME.

(RADM BYNUM AND CDR SILBERNAGEL APPROACH CENTER STAGE)

(CDR SILBERNAGEL WILL REQUEST PERMISSION TO GO ASHORE AND RADM BYNUM WILL GRANT PERMISSION)

(CDR SILBERNAGEL TAKES POSITION AT END OF RED CARPET NEXT TO THE BOS'N FOR PIPING ASHORE)

***** BELL RINGER STRIKES 4 BELLS *****

MC: COMMANDER MARK SILBERNAGEL, UNITED STATES NAVY, RETIRED, DEPARTING.

(CDR SILBERNAGEL WALKS THROUGH SIDEBOYS THEN ESCORTS FAMILY TO THE HEAD OF THE CARPET)

***** BELL RINGER STRIKES 4 BELLS *****

MC: COMMANDER MARK SILBERNAGEL UNITED STATES NAVY, RETIRED, AND FAMILY, DEPARTING.

(CDR SILBERNAGEL WALKS THROUGH SIDEBOYS WITH FAMILY)

MUSIC: ANCHORS AWAY.

MC: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THIS CONCLUDES THE FORMAL RETIREMENT CEREMONY. YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE RECEPTION COMMENCING IMMEDIATELY ON THE SHIP'S FANTAIL. IF YOU HAVE PARKED IN ONE OF THE LEXINGTON PAY PARKING LOTS, YOU MAY OBTAIN A PARKING TOKEN FROM ONE OF THE USHERS. ON BEHALF OF COMMANDER SILBERNAGEL AND HIS FAMILY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ATTENDING.

HANGAR BAY CEREMONY SETUP

