



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY HAS AWARDED THE

NAVY AND MARINE CORPS ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

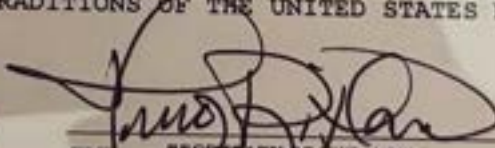
(GOLD STAR IN LIEU OF SECOND AWARD)

TO
MINEMAN THIRD CLASS PETTY OFFICER (EXPEDITIONARY WARFARE) JOHN L. ASHMAN
UNITED STATES NAVY
FOR

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT IN THE SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTIES WHILE SERVING AS AN UNMANNED SYSTEMS TECHNICIAN FOR MOBILE DIVING AND SALVAGE UNIT TWO FROM SEPTEMBER 2016 TO SEPTEMBER 2019. PETTY OFFICER ASHMAN WAS PIVOTAL IN EXECUTION OF HIS DUTIES DURING PRE-DEPLOYMENT TRAINING, EXERCISE SUPPORT, AND DEPLOYMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE FIFTH FLEET MISSION. HE EXPERTLY LED FIVE PERSONNEL ON 33 UNIT LEVEL MISSIONS, SUPPORTED THREE MAJOR FLEET AND THEATER SECURITY COOPERATION EXERCISES, AND SEARCHED FOR AND RECOVERED A LOST AQS-24 MINE HUNTING SONAR AND A MK18 MOD 2 UNDERWATER UNMANNED VEHICLE, SAVING THE NAVY \$2.4 MILLION IN ASSETS. HE ALSO LED TRAINING FOR HIS TEAM YIELDING EIGHT EQUIPMENT OPERATORS AND FIVE EXPEDITIONARY WARFARE QUALIFICATIONS. PETTY OFFICER ASHMAN'S EXCEPTIONAL PROFESSIONALISM AND LOYAL DEVOTION TO DUTY REFLECTED CREDIT UPON HIMSELF AND WERE IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

GIVEN THIS 20TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2019




FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

T. J. RITLAND
COMMANDER, U.S. NAVY
COMMANDING OFFICER,
MOBILE DIVING AND SALVAGE UNIT TWO