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Subj: 2021 STUDENT ART CONTEST SOLICITATION

1. All Auxiliarists are encouraged to read the following ALCOAST 056/21 which invites submissions of art from all students in grades K-12 across the Americas (North America, Central America, South America, and the Caribbean) with the theme of "Seafarers: At the Core of Shipping's Future." Auxiliarists are encourage to spread the word among family and friends with students who may be interested in participating.

Respectfully, Captain Scott L. Johnson Chief Director of Auxiliary (CG-BSX)

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1. All students in grades K-12 across the Americas (North America, Central America, South America, and the Caribbean) are invited to participate in the annual Student Art Contest sponsored by the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), the North American Marine Environment Protection Association (NAMEPA), and the Inter-American Committee on Ports of the Organization of American States (CIP-OAS). The theme for this year's contest is "Seafarers: At the Core of Shipping's Future," which is also the theme for the International Maritime Organization's 2021 World Maritime Day.

2. Shipping via waterways transports about 90% of the items people use every day: clothes, cars, furniture, toothbrushes, phones and computers. Global trade relies on shipping, which relies on personnel who work on ships, known as seafarers. The 2020 global pandemic, COVID-19 has brought into focus the important role of seafarers in the maritime industry. Many seafarers are facing extended time at sea due to COVID-19 related restrictions some enduring months apart from their families. In 2021, the focus on the well-being of seafarers is forefront in the safe delivery of the world's goods and energy.

3. All students in grade K-12, including the family of Coast Guard members, are eligible to participate in the art contest. Additionally, students living outside of the Americas and the

Caribbean who have one or more parent on active duty in the Coast Guard may also participate. Entries must be made online by 31 March 2021 at the following link: <u>https://namepa.submittable.com/submit/181404/seafarers-at-the-core-of-shippings-future</u>. For more information and rules please visit: <u>https://namepa.net/education/art-contest/</u>.

4. Twelve finalists, six from grades K-5 and six from grades 6-12, will be chosen from the entries. Each finalist will be required to submit their original artwork when notified of their selection. The winning artwork will be retained and featured on the USCG, NAMEPA and CIP-OAS websites as well as published in a twelve-month calendar. The calendar will be printed in English and Spanish.

5. All finalists will receive a certificate and a calendar. Two grand prize winning artists (one from each grade category) will receive a cash prize from NAMEPA and a USCG-themed package.

6. Coast Guard Partnership in Education Coordinators and volunteers are asked to share this announcement with teachers and to encourage student participation in all local schools.

7. The POC for this ALCOAST is Mrs. Shawntell Williams,

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8. Dr. Terri A. Dickerson, Civil Rights Director, (CG-00H), sends.

9. Internet release is authorized.

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