



**Auxiliary Commendation Medal**

**COMO Charles S. Greanoff Award – 2024**

This award recognizes the most exemplary performance by an FC during the calendar year. Only those FCs who demonstrated sustained, exceptional standards of proficiency and conduct, and whose appearance and bearing were consistently impeccable, shall be considered for nomination. This award parallels other Coast Guard Inspirational Leadership Awards: the Captain John G. Whitherspoon Inspirational Leadership Award for active duty and Reserve officers, the George R. Putnam Inspirational Leadership Award for civilians, and the MCPO Angela M. McShan Inspirational Leadership Award for active duty or Reserve Chief Petty Officers (E-7).

**This Year's Recipient is:**

**BARBARA M. ALLEN** as Flotilla Commander of Flotilla 25-07, Fifth District

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**CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE AUXILIARY COMMENDATION MEDAL**

**TO**

**AUXILIARIST BARBARA M. ALLEN**

**UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY**

**Auxiliarist ALLEN is cited for outstanding achievement while serving as Flotilla Commander, Flotilla 25-07, Fifth District – Southern Region from January 2023 to December 2023. Exercising exceptional leadership, she drove significant advancements in recreational boating safety, environmental protection, and community engagement within the National Capitol Region. Her unwavering oversight and strong collaboration in support of local Auxiliary initiatives including National Safe Boating Week, Operation Dry Water, and the Life Jacket Wear Observation mission yielded a remarkable 20 percent reduction in boating accidents, saved lives, and substantially lowered the rate of property damage. Auxiliarist ALLEN inspired her flotilla to perform over 6,100 mission hours in public education, surface patrol, and marine environment protection efforts. As Auxiliary Unit Coordinator for Coast Guard Station Washington, she revitalized the Station’s Auxiliary communications watchstander program enabling it to provide vital coverage during unprecedented workforce shortages. She also spearheaded the chartering of Sea Scout Ship 25 and created invaluable opportunities for Washington, D.C. high school students to learn about seamanship and recreational boating safety. Auxiliarist ALLEN’s dedication, judgment, and devotion to duty are most heartily commended and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary.**

