



Dear Agnes Duquette,

You are recognized for your exemplary service from December 1944 to May 1946 in the United States Coast Guard Women's Reserve, also known as the SPARS. Your dedicated commitment to duty enabled active-duty service members to fulfill their responsibilities overseas while you and your fellow SPARS courageously managed essential duties on the home front.

Your contributions have significantly shaped the future of the Coast Guard by paving the way for future generations of women to serve as active-duty members. Today, thanks to your efforts, over 5,800 women proudly serve in the Coast Guard, under the distinguished leadership of Admiral Linda Fagan as Commandant, marking her as the first woman to lead a U.S. military branch.

Your steadfast service and pioneering spirit have left an indelible mark on the Coast Guard's history and legacy. I would like to extend congratulations on behalf of the men and women of the United States Coast Guard as you celebrate the monumental milestone of your 100th birthday.

Sincerely,

Elisa M. Garrity
CAPTAIN, U. S. Coast Guard
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