



**CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE COAST GUARD COMMENDATION MEDAL**

TO

**ANTHONY W. LOLLI
AVIATION ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN THIRD CLASS**

Petty Officer LOLLI is cited for outstanding achievement while serving as avionicsman on Coast Guard Helicopter 1485 on 9 and 10 August 1990 in the medical evacuation of a severely injured crewman from the F/V OCEAN PHOENIX approximately 150 miles northwest of St. Paul Island, Alaska. Petty Officer LOLLI provided navigation information and communications in extremely adverse weather conditions; low ceilings, fog, rain, winds to 30 knots and visibility near zero. After completing a demanding two leg flight from Kodiak to St. Paul, Petty Officer LOLLI helped prepare the aircraft for launch at first light the following morning. When visual contact was made with the vessel, Petty Officer LOLLI assisted the pilot in maintaining communications and visual contact. While circling in preparation for the hoist, the fog was so dense that visual sight of the vessel was lost three times. Following recovery of the injured crewman Petty Officer LOLLI again navigated in extremely adverse weather conditions and around dangerous terrain to deliver the injured crewman to medical assistance at St. Paul. Petty Officer LOLLI'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.

The Operational Distinguishing Device is authorized.