

Dear Sir/Ma'am,

I am writing in support of Breezy Grenier's application to the Flyin Ryan Adventures Scholar Program. Breezy has my highest recommendation and endorsement. As a manager with nearly 15 years of government service and a vested interest in the future of the maritime fleet, it is with the utmost care and sincerity that I recommend colleagues.

Breezy's character and abilities exceed my standard for the level of performance and behavior that I expect from my Sailors and as a former crew member of NOAA Ship *Okeanos Explorer* (R-337), I would make a special effort to personally hand selected her to serve aboard. We have served together on numerous occasions and I've known her for a number years where she has quickly risen through the ranks and previously served in a variety of management roles in the US Coast Guard and commercial maritime fleet.

As an acquaintance to her family, I have spent a great deal of time with her and can honestly say that she is positive, earnest, and professional at all times. She continuously seeks self- improvement and accepts greater responsibility with humility. Breezy is the type of individual that needs little or no supervision to get the job done. She possesses enormous potential to be a great leader and unlimited capacity for continued professional growth. Her personnel record confirms what I have observed and you will see that this Sailor has continuously demonstrated that she has what it takes to be a sterling addition to the organization.

More specifically, Breezy's work history is rooted in a customer service environment where she has often been forced into positions where decisive thinking and snap reaction is common. I witnessed her work to address problems early, make on the spot corrections, and earn a reputation as a no-nonsense individual..

Breezy is not only a disciplined professional; her cheerfulness and consideration for others made her an indispensable part of our crew. Her colleagues are drawn by her personality and sincere concern for others. I hope you will give Breezy the opportunity to continue to expand her professional career and solidify her future as a contributor to the adventurer community.

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