**CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF**

**THE COAST GUARD ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL**

**TO**

**ADAM J. WILK**

## MACHINERY TECHNICIAN SECOND CLASS

# UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

**Petty Officer WILK is cited for superior performance of duty while serving at Coast Guard Station Washington from June 2011 to June 2015. During this period, Petty Officer WILK demonstrated exemplary dedication as Lead Engineer, Tactical Crewmember, Boarding Officer, vice chair of the Leadership and Diversity Advisory Council, and Officer of the Day. Throughout his tenure, he accrued over 750 hours underway completing more than 400 missions in the highly visible National Capital Region (NCR). Petty Officer WILK’s operational expertise was invaluable in setting security zones for the War of 1812 Anniversary Sailabration, four State of the Union Addresses and the 57th Presidential Inauguration. Exhibiting keen operational acumen and devotion to duty, Petty Officer WILK was instrumental in the response to two active shooter events in the NCR. As the part of the first tactical maritime crew on scene during both cases, Petty Officer WILK skillfully assisted with the set up and maintenance of security parameters to ensure the safety of the public and close off potential maritime escape routes. With a demonstrated passion for photography, Petty Officer WILK was responsible for taking, editing, and sharing thousands of photos of Station Washington’s crew, assets, training, and missions. These photos were published on official social media pages, the CG Compass, and were vital to Station Washington winning the 2012 CDR Jim Simpson award as they visually depicted the value of the unit’s missions to the American public. Displaying unmatched technical prowess, Petty Officer WILK was vital in the maintenance and overhaul of the unit’s assets and trailers, ensuring outstanding technical scores during one Standardization Team visit and three Ready for Operations inspections. A dedicated trainer, Petty Officer Wilk assisted more than 30 members become qualified as boat crew and law enforcement personnel. Petty Officer WILK’s diligence, perseverance, 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.**