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*LTJG Andrew D. Bacon  
c/o CGLO PENSACOLA  
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*Dear LTJG Bacon:*

*Congratulations on your superb performance of duty with the U. S. Coast Guard Pipe Band during the 250<sup>th</sup> annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in New York City. In preparation for this major event, you tuned 22 bagpipers. While this task is difficult for any pipe band, the complexity of successfully performing these duties was exacerbated in that the musicians came from different regions of the United States with instruments from a variety of manufacturers, which were tuned to widely varying climates. You enthusiastically accepted the challenge, knowing full well the difficulty of the task and impact your work would have on the band's performance. Demonstrating true professionalism, and the highest degree of proficiency, you expertly tuned each musician's instrument, producing exceptional sound during the parade. Your outstanding musical abilities ensured the Pipe Band's success in providing a stirring musical performance in front of two million spectators.*

*Thank you again for making this event a success for the Coast Guard. Please accept this Sector New York coin as a token of my sincere appreciation.*

*Sincerely,*

  
LINDA L. FAGAN

*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard  
Commander, Coast Guard Sector New York*

*Bravo Zulu!  
Good luck with flight school.*