Navy League National President Alan Kaplan's Statement on Coast Guard Commandant Change of Command

ARLINGTON, Va. — "The Coast Guard is in the most capable hands with Adm. Karl Schultz as its new commandant. He has selflessly served this country for more than 35 years, including providing critical oversight through the most challenging hurricane season on record as commander of the Coast Guard Atlantic Area. The Navy League looks forward to continuing to work with Adm. Schultz so the Coast Guard's needs are continuously met on Capitol Hill.

Adm. Paul Zukunft was integral to guiding the U.S. Coast Guard through many challenges and trials, each of which they conquered through his leadership and vision. He worked tirelessly during the 2017 hurricane season to keep American safe, despite operating in harsh environments outside the Coast Guard's typical realm. Zukunft has been a longtime friend of the Navy League and was our inaugural winner of the Navy League's Semper Paratus award for leadership. The Navy League thanks him for his service to our nation, our sea service members and their families."

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