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Dear Rear Admiral Scorby:

On behalf of the nearly 900,000 citizens of the City of Jacksonville, I want to take an opportunity to wish you, the United States Navy, and the thousands of current and former sailors and their families here in Jacksonville and throughout NE Florida and SE Georgia a Happy 237th Birthday on October 13, 2012.

Our City is blessed to host the two largest Navy bases in the State of Florida. We are proud of the role the City of Jacksonville plays in support of our local Navy and Marine Corps installations, and in the critically important missions these military installations contribute to our national security. The United States Navy has positively influenced every fabric of our City: from neighborhood PTAs to the overall financial health of the NE Florida economy.

We value our well-earned reputation as a Navy town and we wear with pride the honor of being the most requested duty assignment in the United States for sailors and their families. Jacksonville appreciates and admires the thousands of sailors who call our city home, and we pledge to keep all those serving at sea or on contested shores in our thoughts for a safe return to Jacksonville and to their families when their missions are complete.

Admiral, thank you again for your service and please pass along my congratulations to the United States Navy on its 237th birthday. We thank you and all of our sailors for standing the watch and for defending our nation and the ideals which have made us great.

Happy Birthday, United States Navy!

Sincerely,

Alvin Brown

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