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Naval Station Norfolk Sailor and Portsmouth Native Named CNIC Sailor of the Year

Norfolk, VA – A Naval Station Norfolk sailor was named Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) Sailor of the Year in a ceremony at the Washington Navy Yard today.

Religious Program Specialist First Class Gary G. Denette II is a Churchland High graduate and native of Portsmouth, Va. He currently serves as the leading petty officer at the Naval Station Norfolk Chapel. “RP1 Denette is a tremendous sailor and everyone here at Naval Station is extremely proud of his accomplishments,” said Capt. Mary Jackson, commanding officer, Naval Station Norfolk. “This award is indicative of the hard work and dedication, RP1 Denette provides to our Sailors and their families every day.”

This week, Denette participated in a very competitive selection process at CNIC encompassing three days of boards and special events. Prior to today’s selection, he was chosen as Naval Station Norfolk’s Sailor of the Year and then competed, and won, Commander, Navy Region Mid-Atlantic Sailor of the Year. He will

go on to compete for the Vice Chief of Naval Operations Shore Activities Sailor of the Year.

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