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From: Commanding Officer, Naval Special Warfare Center To: President, FY-16 Active Duty Commander, Chaplain Corps Promotion Selection Board #265

Subj: LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION ICO LIEUTENANT COMMANDER WESLEY J. MODDER, USN,

1. I am writing to provide my personal and professional support for selection to Commander of Lieutenant Commander Wesley J. Modder.

2. LCDR Wesley Modder is a talented and inspirational leader that is dedicated to the spiritual fitness of the Navy and Marine Corps service members and their families. I have personally witnessed Chaplain Modder's charismatic leadership and sound judgment during his engagements with SEAL and SWCC trainees, with SEAL and SWCC seasoned instructors and staff members, with senior staff at an Echelon II HQs, and even during a particularly difficult CACO notification. In short, Chaplain Modder has consistently performed well beyond his pay grade. I have been impressed by his character, integrity, moral center and approach to ministry in the Navy. Chaplain Modder's counsel and leadership is a force multiplier and senior Naval leaders would continue to benefit by his promotion and assignment to positions of greater responsibility and influence.

3. Chaplain Modder's contributions to the Navy are both impressive and significant. His prior experience as a Marine and his time as a commissioned Officer enable him to communicate effectively up and down the chain of command, and this gift makes him particularly effective at detecting changes in command climate and esprit de corps. Not only is he a skilled ethics advisor, he is also a great source of insight with regard to the pulse and tenor of a command. The net effect of Chaplain Modder's contributions has been an increase in operational readiness at every command to which he has been assigned.

4. The Navy has the best of the best in Chaplain Wes Modder. This talented Officer has my strongest and highest possible recommendation for Promotion to Commander, and is ready to take on the Navy's most challenging ministry positions!!! PRESS 100 NOW MAKE HIM A COMMANDER.

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