

THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

WASHINGTON

11 April, 1946

Mr. Louis Cass

323 West Sixth Street

Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Cass:

Soon after the outbreak of hostilities, and at a time when the menace to national defense and vital interests was most critical, your vessel VAGABUNDO was made available to the Coast Guard and became a contributing factor toward the furtherance of the war effort.

The VAGABUNDO has now been returned to you and it will no doubt be a matter of great pride and interest to you to know that the VAGABUNDO gave valuable and excellent service in the important duties assigned to her.

In recognition of the service rendered by the VAGABUNDO you are authorized to place in the most appropriate display location seven chevrons, one for each six months active service with the Coast Guard.

The Navy Department takes this opportunity to express its sincere appreciation and grateful thanks for your patriotic and generous contribution in the hour of the country's most urgent need.

Very truly yours,
<signed, James Forrestal>