**CAPSTONE CEREMONY**

**1325**

NARRATOR: GOOD AFTERNOON LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, TODAY’S CEREMONY WILL COMMENCE IN FIVE MINUTES, PLEASE TAKE YOUR SEATS. WE ASK THAT YOU TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES. THANK YOU.

**1330**

NARRATOR: ON BEHALF OF LTCOL MICHAEL J. FITZGERALD, COMMANDING OFFICER, 1ST SUPPLY BATTALION, WELCOME TO TODAY’S CEREMONY IN RECOGNITION OF OUR BRAVE MEN AND WOMAN WHO’VE SERVED THIS COUNTRY HONORABLY. AS THEY PREPARE TO DEPART THE ACTIVE DUTY RANKS, WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE EACH OF THEM FOR THEIR PATRIOTISM, SACRAFICE, AND DEDICATION IN DEFENDING THIS GREAT NATION. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE SPOUSES, FAMILY MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS WHO SUPPORTED THESE MARINES DURING THEIR YEARS OF ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE

NARRATOR: PLEASE DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO THE PROJECTOR SCREEN.

(NOTE): PLAY VIDEO (8 min)

NARRATOR: PLEASE RISE FOR THE INVOCATION GIVEN BY CHAPLAIN EARLS AND REMAIN STANDING FOR THE PLAYING OF OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM.

CHAPLAIN: DELIVERS INVOCATION.

MUSIC: PLAYS NATIONAL ANTHEM.

NARRATOR: PLEASE TAKE YOUR SEATS.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF 1ST SUPPLY BATTALION, LTCOL MICHAEL J. FITZGERALD.

CO’S REMARKS:

NARRATOR: (AFTER CO TAKES HIS SEAT) READS LETTER FROM THE COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS TO THE HONORED MARINES.

NARRATOR: LTCOL FITZGERALD ASSISTED BY SGTMAJ YOUNG WILL NOW **PRESENT** THE CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION.

NARRATOR: TODAY’S HONORED MARINES ARE: (READ FROM ROSTER)

NARRATOR: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE JOIN ME IN A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. PLEASE RISE FOR THE PLAYING OF ANCHORS AWEIGH AND THE MARINES’ HYMN.

NARRATOR: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THIS CONCLUDES TODAY’S CEREMONY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENDANCE. PLEASE JOIN US FOR REFRESHMENTS AT THE SOCIAL HALL.