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Reply to Attention of

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FOR Georgia Tech Military Affinity Group, LT Tyler Brown Leadership Award Board

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the 2010 LT Tyler Brown Leadership Award

- 1. I nominate Cadet Jerry Jones for the 2011 LT Tyler Brown Leadership Award because he embodies the definition of an Army leader.
- 2. Cadet Jerry Jones is the top Cadet within the Army ROTC Battalion and Corps of Cadets. He currently serves as the Cadet Command Sergeant Major, where his leadership attributes truly lead the way. A consummate professional, Cadet Jones strives to ensure that he, his command, and fellow Cadets are the finest in U.S. Army Cadet Command. His daily coaching, leading and mentoring of his peers and fellow Cadets continuously set the standard for the Yellow Jacket Battalion. I am nominating him for this prestigious award in recognition of the impact of his past and present leadership; most importantly in anticipation of the significant contributions he will make as a future U.S. Army officer. He is most deserving of this honor.
- 3. Cadet Jones exceeds the Army ROTC Yellow Jacket Battalion academic standards by maintaining a 3.76 GPA.
- 4. I am the POC on this action at Commercial (404)-894-9065 or ext.4-9065, or email at anthony.fritchle@arotc.gatech.edu.

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1. Narrative

Cadet Jerry Jones is an incredibly talented Cadet and is easily in the top 1% of 130 Cadets in the Army ROTC Program. He is currently assigned as the Command Sergeant Major in the Cadet Corps and Yellow Jacket Battalion at the Georgia Institute of Technology. In his current capacity, he is responsible for the training and mentoring of the entire Battalion of 130 Cadets on small unit tactics, leadership, fitness, Cadet academic management, and planning operations. Additionally, he is the model of standards and discipline for the entire battalion. Due to his incredible maturity, experience and ability, he was hand-selected for this prestigious award from a group of exceptionally-talented and qualified Cadets.

Cadet Jones' experience as a leader is apparent and stems from many different areas. Cadet Jones was enlisted in the United States Army for eight years prior to becoming a Cadet at Kennesaw State University. He attended Infantry OSUT and Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia. Afterwards he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. During his time at Fort Bragg, North Carolina he was assigned to many diverse positions including Rifleman, RTO, Team Leader, and Section Leader.

In 1999 he deployed to Kuwait in support of Operation Southern Watch. In early 2002 he attended and graduated first in his platoon and on the commandants list from Warrior Leaders Course. During the same year he was deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom as an Infantry Team Leader, where he led his team on over twenty combat missions through four different operations without loss of personnel or equipment. He redeployed in January 2003 and was again deployed as a Section Leader in February 2003 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Cadet Jones participated during the initial invasion and helped secure areas such as Tallil Airfield, Ramadi, and Fallujah; he redeployed in May 2003. In August 2003 he was again deployed as a Section Leader to Ramadi, Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and would remain there until April 2004.

Cadet Jones was consistently promoted ahead of his peers, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant in five and a half years. Cadet Jones is currently part of the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP) in the Georgia Army National Guard and assigned as an assistant Platoon Leader in Bravo Troop, 3-108th Cavalry. Cadet Jones awards include; the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal with one bronze oak leaf cluster, Army Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Afghanistan Service Medal with one bronze campaign star, Iraq Service Medal with two bronze campaign stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, GA State Activation Ribbon, Joint Meritorious Unit Citation, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Expert Infantryman's Badge, Parachutist Badge, and Polish Land Forces Parachutist Badge.

Cadet Jones is also a full time employee at the Paulding County Sheriff's Office where he has been working since 2005. He is currently assigned to the D.U.I. Task Force where he focuses on preventing traffic related fatalities by specializing in Driving Under the Influence, Aggressive Driving, and Speeding Enforcement. Cadet Jones attended North Central Law Enforcement Academy in 2006 where he graduated first in his class, received the leadership award for being elected as the class president, and won the top marksman award. It was the first such time that all three awards were earned by one individual. He is currently one of only 133 internationally certified Drug Recognition Experts out of all certified peace officers in the entire state of Georgia.

Cadet Jones earned an Associate's Degree from Fayetteville Technical Community College in Fayetteville, North Carolina where he graduated in 2005 with highest honors for maintaining a perfect 4.0 GPA. Cadet Jones is currently a junior at Kennesaw State University where he is seeking a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management. His current GPA is 3.76.

Cadet Jones' performance and leadership throughout his tenure in the Yellow Jacket Battalion has been absolutely magnificent. Cadet Jones took the initiative to become adept in Army Small Unit Tactics which has allowed him to set the example and motivate his fellow Cadets and leaders alike. He

personally mentors subordinate Cadets and directly and indirectly mentors them in the art of leadership, tactics, techniques, and procedures for Army operations. He accomplishes this through the quiet, calm professionalism that is his hallmark. Cadet Jones quickly assimilated into ROTC community and developed a cohesive team that demonstrates great care and concern for subordinate Cadets and their academics. His peers respect and admire him.

Cadet Jones instinctively understands the human dimension of leadership. His interpersonal skills allow him to achieve noticeable and measurable improvements in his subordinate Cadets ability to grasp Army doctrine, technical proficiency, and physical fitness. He achieves this success in the stressful environment between balancing academics, work, and the rigors of becoming a future Army Officer. He accomplishes this through personal example, excellent knowledge of small unit tactics and leadership, and outstanding application of risk management principles. Only the best leaders and Cadets can be successful in such an environment.

Cadet Jones' future goal is to assess as a Military Police Officer. Additionally, he aspires to lead a Military Police platoon and company in combat to support of operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Lastly, after his retirement from service to his country in the military, Cadet Jones' goal is to continue working in the field of law enforcement.

Cadet Jerry Jones possesses superior initiative, flawless judgment, and has the rare ability to work without supervision. His ethical conduct both on and off duty are absolutely unquestionable. He is a superb young leader, professional Cadet, and a fantastic leader in every respect. He is a model Cadet who lives the Army values and the Cadet Creed every day. Please award this deserving Cadet the LT Tyler Brown Leadership award.