

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY ROTC 151 6TH STREET, O'KEEFE BUILDING ATLANTA, GA 30332

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## MEMORANDUM FOR GTMAG SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Lieutenant Tyler Brown Leadership Award – Army ROTC

1. The information provided below is for the recommendation of the LT Tyler Brown Leadership award.

a. Name of Nominated Cadet: Alfred J. Biland

b. Name of Academic Institution: Georgia Institute of Technology

c. Academic Majors: Civil Engineering

d. Cumulative GPA: 3.77

e. ROTC Achievements:

- (1) Completed United States Army Cadet Command (USACC) Engineering Internship Program (EIP) during Summer 2022. Represented GT, Titan Brigade, and USACC at Jacksonville. FL.
- (2) Scored 598 of 600 on his most recent Army Combat Fitness Test. Easily the most fit Cadet in the program.
- (3) Served on Ranger Challenge Team for 4 years and was selected as AY 2021-2022 Ranger Challenge Team Captain; a position normally reserved for a senior. Led the team to finish 6<sup>th</sup> of 39 programs in the Brigade. This is the first time the team has scored top 10 in over 15yrs.
- (4) Attended and graduated the rigorous U.S. Army Air Assault School at Fort Campbell, KY in December 2020.
- (5) Created and led Stinger Battalion Army 10-miler Team to competition in Washington D.C. The team placed 9<sup>th</sup> out of 55 ROTC and service academies with a time of 1:05.23.
- (6) Earned the Norwegian Foot March Badge in May 2021 at Ft. Gordon, GA. This foreign award is a rigorous test of strength and endurance; includes rucking over 18 miles in under four hours with 35lbs. This particular event had an approximate 50% pass rate.
- (7) Served as the Stinger BN commander for Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 semesters. He led the cadets through multiple FTXs, leadership labs, and numerous training events.

- (8) Received the George C. Marshall award for being the top-rated MS IV cadet in the Army ROTC program.
- (9) Placed in the top 15% (5 out of 40) and received an "Outstanding" rating during 2022 Cadet Summer Training.
- (10) Was one of three cadets selected to attend the highly rigorous Sapper School for summer of 2023.
  - f. Academic Achievements:
    - (1) Placed on Dean's List every semester and on Faculty Honors 2x while attending GT.
- (2) Member of Chi Epsilon Honor Society; honor society for civil and environmental engineers.
  - (3) Has conducted three civil engineering internships.
- (4) Chapter member and active participant in the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) and American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC) Steel Bridge Team.
- (5) Selected for the Associated General Contractors of America Academic Scholarship for academic achievement and involvement in the construction industry through internships.
  - g. Additional Achievements:
- (1) Michigan High School Volunteer. CDT Biland frequently runs and coaches high school and youth wrestling meets in his hometown.
- (2) Habitat for Humanity and Trees Atlanta Volunteer. CDT Biland puts his engineering knowledge to work while assisting on home building and generating green space in the Greater Atlanta area.
- (3) Volunteer events with ASCE: Cleaned trash from Beltline and pulled invasive plants out of the gardens. Worked on various projects at local community gardens for low income neighborhoods in the Atlanta area.
- (4) Avid fitness enthusiast. CDT Biland has participated in numerous ultra-marathons and other races.
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