

# CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

**1<sup>ST</sup> LIEUTENANT Tia C. Tomescu**



The Greater Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce and City of Grass Valley City Council take great pleasure in recognizing 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Tia C. Tomescu as the winner of the 2024, Lieutenant Commander Louis "Lou" Conter Military Ambassador Award. The award recognizes individuals that embody Commander Conter's outstanding leadership and selfless commitment to the United States of America through both military and community service. Commander Conter's distinguished military career spans more than three decades and includes him honorably serving in WWII, The Korean War, and The Vietnam Conflict. Additionally, Commander Conter has dedicated countless hours engaged in a vast array of community service endeavors.

1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Tia C. Tomescu has displayed remarkable leadership as the Crew Commander at an Upgraded Early Warning Radar (UEWR) facility, where she oversees operations crucial for providing timely and accurate indications, warning, and battlespace awareness. Her leadership has been instrumental in safeguarding North America against strategic attacks and ensuring space superiority for America and our Allies.

Tia C. Tomescu's commitment to excellence extends to her professional endeavors. She has demonstrated exceptional work ethic and leadership abilities by identifying and addressing a 10-year data-processing shortfall, ensuring the safety and custody of the \$75 Billion International Space Station and human spaceflight. Her contributions to improving Space Domain Awareness through operational instruction rewrites have bridged commands and earned her special recognition from U.S. Army General James H. Dickinson, Commander of USSPACECOM.

Acknowledging Tia C. Tomescu's steadfast commitment, relentless efforts, and pursuit of excellence, she is lauded for her significant contributions to both the United States Air National Guard and her local community.

Therefore, the City of Grass Valley City Council takes great pleasure in recognizing and thanking 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Tia C. Tomescu as the winner of the 2024, Lieutenant Commander Louis "Lou" Conter Military Ambassador Award.

**Dated** this 28<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2024

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