DECKPLANKING FROM

## USS PERCH (SS 313/APSS 313/LPSS 313)

Presented to

## USS PERCH ASSOCIATION

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Naval Historical Center 805 Kidder Breese St., SE Washington Navy Yard Washington D.C. 20374-5060 DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY NAVAL HISTORICAL CENTER 805 KIDDER BREESE STREET SE WASHINGTON NAVY YARD, DC 20374-5060 ATTN: CURATOR

## RELEASE OF USS PERCH DECK PLANKING

The Curator Branch of the Naval Historical Center is the Navy's official repository for deck planking and distribution thereof. It is not a practice mandated by federal law, but a custom that has been observed for many years. Please note that the Naval Historical Center's policy has been that planking is distributed only to persons who were on the commissioning crew. The only exception we have made to this is to, upon request, provide a piece of planking to the crewman's immediate family should the crew member have died before he could request his piece of planking.

Every year, the number of living World War II veterans and plankowners grows smaller and so does the chance to provide them with their piece of deck planking. We are releasing USS PERCH to your Organization. We have retained several pieces for our collection, and provided the remainder to you. <u>Please be</u> advised, deck planking CAN NOT BE SOLD or used for profit!

Future requests from plankowners will be directed to contact:

Ship's Association:

ion: BUCS (SCW/SS) Don Masoero, USN, Retired, 3317 So. 259th Pl Kent, WA 98032 Phone: 253-941-4133 Email: dmseabee@comcast.net

I certify I have received USS PERCH Deck planking.

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Print name and date

PLEASE SIGN, DATE, AND RETURN RELEASE FORM TO:

NAVAL HISTORICAL CENTER ATTN: CURATOR BRANCH 805 KIDDER BREESE STREET SE WASHINGTON NAVY YARD, DC 20374-5060

ONE COPY IS PROVIDED FOR YOUR FILES

Thank you,

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