

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before April 4, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2018-0028. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. You may also send comments electronically via the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bianca Carr, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W23-453, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-9309, Email [Bianca.carr@dot.gov](mailto:Bianca.carr@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel LOLAL OCEAN EXPLORER is:

- INTENDED COMMERCIAL USE OF VESSEL: "Sightseeing cruises"
- GEOGRAPHIC REGION: "Florida"

The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD-2018-0028 at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388, that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the

comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in section 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

#### Privacy Act

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT/MARAD solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT/MARAD posts these comments, without edit, to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), as described in the system of records notice, DOT/ALL-14 FDMS, accessible through [www.dot.gov/privacy](http://www.dot.gov/privacy). In order to facilitate comment tracking and response, we encourage commenters to provide their name, or the name of their organization; however, submission of names is completely optional. Whether or not commenters identify themselves, all timely comments will be fully considered. If you wish to provide comments containing proprietary or confidential information, please contact the agency for alternate submission instructions.

(Authority: 49 CFR 1.93(a), 46 U.S.C. 55103, 46 U.S.C. 12121) \* \* \*

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Dated: February 27, 2018.

**T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,**

*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans will be held April 11-12, 2018. The meeting sessions will take place at the Department of Veterans Affairs Central Office at 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Sonny Montgomery Conference Room 230, Washington, DC 20420. The meeting sessions are open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide the Secretary of Veterans Affairs with an on-going assessment of the effectiveness of the policies, organizational structures, and services of VA in assisting Veterans at-risk and experiencing homelessness. The

Committee shall assemble and review information related to the needs of homeless Veterans and provide advice on the most appropriate means of providing assistance to that subset of the Veteran population. The Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary regarding such activities.

On Wednesday, April 11 and Thursday, April 12, the Committee will convene an open session at the Department of Veterans Affairs Central Office at 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Sonny Montgomery Conference Room 230, Washington, DC 20420 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The agenda will include briefings from officials at VA and other agencies regarding services for homeless Veterans. The Committee will also receive a briefing on the annual report that was developed after the last meeting of the Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans and will then discuss topics for its upcoming annual report and recommendations to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. Interested parties should provide written comments on issues affecting homeless Veterans for review by the Committee to Mr. Anthony Love, Designated Federal Officer, VHA Homeless Programs Office (10NC1), Department of Veterans Affairs, 811 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC, or via email at [Anthony.Love@va.gov](mailto:Anthony.Love@va.gov).

Members of the public who wish to attend should contact Alexandra Logsdon and/or Anthony Love of the Veterans Health Administration, Homeless Programs Office no later than March 30, 2018, at [Alexandra.Logsdon@va.gov](mailto:Alexandra.Logsdon@va.gov) (202)-632-7146 or [Anthony.Love@va.gov](mailto:Anthony.Love@va.gov) (202) 461-1902 to provide their name, professional affiliation, address, and phone number. There will also be a call-in number at 1-800-767-1750; Access Code: 53308#. Attendees who require reasonable accommodation should state so in their requests. Please arrive to VA Central Office at least 20 minutes before the meeting start time to clear the building security checkpoint.

Dated: February 28, 2018.

**Jelessa M. Burney,**

*Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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