27 January 2023

MEMORANDUM FOR LT. COL. TYSEN L. PINA/96 AACS/CC

FROM: 966 AACS/CC

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal (MOVSM) – SSgt Myrka Orton, SSAN, USAF

1. Under the provision of DoD 1348.33-M, Volume 2, and AFI 36-2803, paragraph 5.2.4, I RECOMMEND/ NON RECOMMEND the following individual for the MOVSM for the following reasons and period indicated:

1. SSgt Myrka Orton, SSAN, USAF
2. E-3 Evaluator Mission Systems Operator/ Period for MOVSM Consideration:
3. As a newly minted NCO, SSgt Orton to capitalized on her leadership skills and seized the opportunity to fulfill the role as a mentor Oklahoma Citys Family Justice center where she volunteered as a member for their camp HOPE outings and associated gatherings. Due to the critical nature of their mission handling trauma exposed children, volunteers are age restricted to fulfill this role so as to maintain a small age gap. After attending 25 hours of skills training she aided in the the planning and execution of the 2021 Camp HOPE held in Guthrie OK. She spent 6 days and 5 nights guiding 63 children through social skills building exercises and group projects. During the camp she stayed in the cabins with the children to ensure a safe environment. Following the successful completion of the camp she aided in the seasonal holiday gatherings to maintain continuity with the children in preparation for the next year where she again aided in the planning an execution of the 2022 Camp HOPE in Huntsville TX. There she guided 57 children through another 6 days and 5 nights of critical skills building exercise and successfully filled the roles as a mentor and positive role model. Due to her efforts at both of theses camps and gatherings she effectively aided in breaking the cycle of trauma for these children and empowering the survivors to thrive.
4. Palomar, Oklahoma City’s Family Justice Center, 1140 N. Hudson Ave. Oklahoma City, OK, 73103. Phone Number: 405-552-1010, POC: Charlotte Clayton
5. Oklahoma City’s sole Family Justice center tasked with interrupting the cycle of violence and abuse by providing long-term support for vitims and their children to heal from trauma.
6. SSgt Orton provided support for two of Palomars Camp Hopes and four of their holiday gatherings directly aiding over 100 children for approximately 400 hours spanning May 2021 to August 2022.
7. 415 Hours
8. Supervisors Name, Grade, Duty Title
9. Comanders Comments (If Applicable) & Cartification: This individual performed outstanding volunteer service to the community of a sustained, direct, and consequential nature and is recommended for award of the MOVSM. Thair service throughout this period was honarable

If you have any further questions, my duty phone number is DSN: 884-3362, commercial (405) 734-3362, or e-mail address is tysen.pina@us.af.mil.

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Commander