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OF THE

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PILOTAGE

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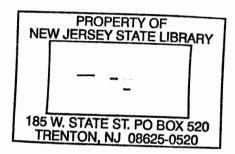
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1973

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127TH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF PILOTAGE OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY



Pursuant to Title 12, Chapter 8 of the New Jersey Statutes, the Commissioners of Pilotage respectfully submit their 127th Annual Report to the Legislature of the State of New Jersey. This report covers the year ending December 31, 1973

In accordance with the requirements of the Statutes, this report covers the following items:

A. ALL BONDS TAKEN BY THE COMMISSIONERS PURSUANT TO SECTION 12:8-7 OF TITLE 12.

The Commissioners accepted from Pilot Richard L. Cullison his bond dated September 1, 1973 signed by Pilots Thomas J. McGovern and Herbert A. Schweers as sureties.

This bond was given as a condition to Pilot Cullison receiving his original license.

B. AN ABSTRACT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSIONERS WITHIN THE YEAR 1973.

At the meeting of the Board held on June 21, 1973, Captain John E. Green was sworn in as a Commissioner of Pilotage for a new three-year term commencing June 18, 1973.

During the calendar year 1973, the Commissioners advanced one pilot from Third to Second Grade; three pilots from Fourth to Third Grade; two pilots from Fifth to Fourth Grade; and one pilot was granted his original license as a pilot of the Sixth Grade. During the same period the Commissioners registered three apprentices and one pilot retired from active service.

The Commissioners investigated a total of five reports of marine casualties during 1973. In four of these cases the Commissioners determined, after hearings, that no action should be taken against the licenses of the pilots and the cases were closed. One case remained under investigation at the close of the year awaiting further information before a final determination can be made by the Commissioners.

As reported in our Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1972, the United New Jersey Sandy Hook Pilots' Benevolent Association submitted to this Board for consideration a proposed agreement between the New York and New Jersey Associations covering the operation and manning of vessels owned by the Associations, the designation and training of apprentices, etc. The proposed agreement was approved in substance subject to submission of a final draft. In mid-1973 a final agreement was submitted and approved. The Board reiterated, however, that such approval shall not be construed to negate or diminish in any way the authority vested in this Board to determine the number of pilots that are required at any given time to provide an adequate and efficient pilotage service.

For some years the Commissioners have been increasingly aware of changes in the number and size of vessels entering and departing the Port of New York. Because of ever-increasing technology and the continuing search for more efficient and economical operations, fewer vessels now enter the Harbor but their average draft and tonnage far exceed that of the vessels in use only a few years ago. The impact of this development on the pilotage service was

brought home in 1973 when the Commissioners were advised that the younger pilots, because of the draft limitations on their licenses, are qualified to handle only a few incoming or departing vessels. The Pilots' Association expressed concern that these younger pilots may not have adequate experience when they are being considered for promotion. The Board members expressed equal concern. Subsequently, the Board revised upward the draft limitations for deputy pilots for a trial period of one year. So that the Board might be in a position to evaluate the effectiveness of these changes, the Association was instructed to submit to the Board prior to expiration of the one-year trial period a list of all vessels handled by deputy pilots under these revised draft limitations which they could not have handled under the earlier limitations.

During the year several of the Commissioners participated in the educational cruises conducted by the Association as part of its training program for apprentices. The Commissioners were very favorably impressed by the training given to these young men and, in particular, the detailed knowledge imparted to them as to various segments of the Harbor.

In January, 1973, the Board was invited to designate a representative to serve as a member of an advisory committee to assist the Coast Guard in the development of a traffic management system to enhance the safe and economic movement of vessels within New York Harbor and its approaches. The committee was being convened by the Commander of the Third Coast Guard District. The Commissioners were very pleased to accept this invitation to participate in this worthwhile project and a representative and an alternate were named. The Board was represented at all meetings of the committee during 1973 and by year-end considerable progress was made toward development of a comprehensive plan.

C. A STATEMENT OF THE NUMBER OF PILOTS IN COMMISSION AND THE NUMBER OF VESSELS TAKEN IN AND OUT.

The following pilots were active as of December 31, 1973:

R. Ahrens W. J. Baeszler F. J. Boslet A. T. Boyan C. I. Britton H. J. Costello R. E. Cox R. E. Cullison C. W. Dahmen R. A. Deane L. T. Earl J. E. Graham E. J. Haggerty W. C. Hall W. C. Hansen J. D. Hasson R. D. Jones J. G. Keating

G. A. Mason
J. F. McCarthy
R. J. McCarthy
T. J. McGovern
D. J. McInerney
D. M. Mercereau
W. G. Metting, Jr.
W. A. Mitchell
J. A. Murray
E. D. O'Donnell
A. G. Oldmixon
J. C. Oldmixon
T. W. Peters
J. H. Peterson, Sr.

J. H. Peterson, Jr.

R. V. Keenan

J. Licata

G. W. Kissenberth

C. C. Reed J. L. Renesse R. D. Rice H. A. Schweers C. E. Sloat D. T. Smith J. P. Smith K. W. Sorensen R. C. Sorge W. W. Sturgeon F. D. Wall T. J. Walsh E. H. Weiler C. A. Whiteside W. F. Winter E. G. Young

Retired Pilots

W. J. Crocker H. C. Egan W. J. Egan E. W. Florimont C. M. Lowe W. H. Lowe R. Miller R. I. Oldmixon C. E. Wendel

The following vessels were serviced during 1973:

	IN	OUT
January	282	252
February	235	236
March	299	279
April	275	263
May	265	247
June	256	256
July	227	215
August	258	246
September	284	270
October	270	251
November	221	236
December	248	230
TOTAL	3,120	2,981

D. OBSERVATIONS IN RELATION TO THE SYSTEM OF PILOTAGE.

Federal Appropriations for Harbor Improvements

In 1973, as in other years, the Board supported The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey in its efforts to have Congress appropriate adequate funds for channel deepening and widening and other related improvements in New York Harbor. The Board joined with the Port Authority in a statement submitted to both the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations. Subsequently the Board was pleased to learn that funds were appropriated for three recommended construction projects and one study project in the Port of New York.

Respectfully submitted, WALTER E. MALONEY Secretary

COMMISSIONERS OF PILOTAGE

JOHN W. ANDERSON, 96 Highwood Avenue, Tenafly, New Jersey. Holds Master's license unlimited. Graduate of New York State Nautical School, October 1915, Served at sea in United States ships continuously for fifty years commencing as quartermaster in coastwise ships and junior officer on S. S. "St. Louis" and "New York" of the American Line. Served as 2nd officer in Army Transport Service in World War I, then served as chief mate and master on vessels trading between New York and Australia, India, and the Far East. Obtained Master's license and first command in 1920. Served with United States Lines as master from 1925 until retirement in 1964. During World War II commanded Motorship "John Ericsson" and transported over 300,000 American and allied troops to various theatres of war. Later commanded the S. S. "America" for over three vears, and the S. S. "United States" for over eleven years, as Commodore of the United States Lines. Commissioned Lieutenant Commander USNR, 25 June 1930 and Captain USNR, 1 January 1946. Retired from USNR, 1 July 1960.

GEORGE N. AXIOTES, 129 North Arlington Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey. Holds Master's license for any ocean, any tonnage, for steam and motor vessels. Licensed Federal pilot. Sea service 1920 to 1945, which included command of American commercial vessels in world trade. Served in Merchant Marine during World War II, and this included service as Convoy Commodore in various areas. Held executive shore positions with steamship and stevedoring companies. Owns and operates a business as Marine Surveyor and Consultant. Is an authorized Inspector for International Cargo Gear Bureau, Inc. Is life member and executive in The Marine Society of the City of New York, founded in 1770 for the improvement of maritime knowledge,

WILLIAM H. BURRILL, 103 North Walnut Street, East Orange, New Jersey. Holder of license as Master of steam and motor vessels, any ocean, any tonnage. Also holds various Federal pilot licenses. Served at sea aboard merchant vessels from 1922 to 1947. Saw service during World War II as officer in United States Naval Reserve. Has served as marine surveyor and marine consultant.

JOSEPH G. GLENNON, 230 Maple Street, Weehawken, New Jersey. President of the Board of Commissioners. Holder of license as Master of steam and motor vessels, any tonnage, on lakes, bays, sounds and rivers since 1944. Also holds Federal pilot's license for New York Harbor and St. Lawrence River, any tonnage, since 1942. Served with the Army Transport Service during World War II in the Southwest Pacific area. Since 1937 has been engaged in Captain's and Pilot's work for all major railroads in New York Harbor. Also employed by Moran Towing Co. Former Commissioner of Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation in the Township of Weehawken.

JOHN E. GREEN, 1094-C Argyll Circle, Lakewood, New Jersey. Vice President of the Board of Commissioners, Holds unlimited Master Mariner's license. Graduate Massachusetts Maritime Academy April, 1931, Served in all Licensed Deck Officer capacities including Master 1931-1943. Served in all theaters of World War II, surviving two sinkings. Held numerous positions ashore with United States Lines Inc. and presently their Marine Superintendent at New York. Retired Commander, USNR. Chairman, Operation Committee, American Institute Merchant Shipping (A.I.M.S.) Member of Safety of Life at Sea (S.O.L.A.S.) Subcommittee Working Group on Standards of Training and Watchkeeping. Currently a member of United States Coast Guard Sea Lanes Study Committee, Boston, Massachusetts. Member of Marine Society City of New York, Boston Marine Society and Council of American Master Mariners.

WALTER E. MALONEY, 186 Hartshorn Drive, Short Hills, New Jersey. Secretary-Treasurer of Board of Commissioners. Attorney in New York City specializing in maritime matters since 1941. Served during World War II on active duty as an officer in United States Coast Guard.







