RE: call for nominations – 2003 SERVICE TO AMERICA MEDALS
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We are pleased to announce the opening of nominations for the 2003 Service to America Medals. The Service to America
Medals, or "SAMMIES" are a prestigious awards program created last year by the Partnership for Public Service and the Atlantic
Media Company (Government Executive, the National Journal, and The Atlantic Monthly) to honor federal employees who
have made a significant contribution to our country.

There are so many unsung heroes throughout the federal workforce who make a difference every day in their work, and it is our
great privilege to salute them through the SAMMIES program. To help ensure that all federal employees are aware of this
opportunity, we would be most grateful if you would help us get the word out to your employees that the 2003 nominations process
has opened.

A flyer with the pertinent information is attached. Any support you can offer would be greatly appreciated. This could include:

Sending out an email about the awards program to fellow employees.
Sending information about the awards program to your agency's incentive awards program coordinator.
Providing information about the awards program on your web site.
Publicizing the awards program in your internal newsletter.

Nominations for the 2003 Service to America medals will be accepted through May 2, 2003. Nominations must be made online
at: www.govexec.com/pps.

The SAMMIES awardees will be honored at a black-tie awards dinner and ceremony on October 15th in Washington, DC.
Awardees will also be profiled in Government Executive, National Journal and The Atlantic Monthly magazines. In addition,
significant monetary prizes ($3,000-$10,000) are associated with the awards.

The support for and pride in our federal workforce generated by last year's inaugural Service to America Medals ceremony was
thrilling to witness. We hope that the 2003 SAMMIES are even more successful in honoring the heroes of the federal government.

Thank you very much for your help in this effort to honor outstanding federal employees. If you need additional information, please
let us know.

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Very best wishes,

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WANTED: Unsung Heroes!

Know a federal employee whose contributions have made a national impact—one of the country's true unsung heroes?

Nominations are open for the
2003 Service to America Medals!

Good government requires good people. The Service to America Medals send a powerful message to the American people about the importance of a strong civil service and seek to inspire a new generation of Americans to public service. Created by the Partnership for Public Service and The Atlantic Media Company (*Government Executive*, *National Journal* and *The Atlantic Monthly*), the Service to America Medals recognize the accomplishments of America's public servants and their commitment to public service, and are accompanied by a cash prize. Award categories include:

Federal Employee of the Year Medal
Recognizing the best and brightest of the federal workforce.

Career Achievement Medal
Recognizing a lifetime of achievement in public service.

Call to Service Medal
Recognizing a significant contribution to the country as a recent entrant to the federal workforce.

Medals in Specific Government Fields
Several medals recognize nominees who have demonstrated significant accomplishments in the fields of Business and Commerce; Environment, Science and Technology; Homeland Security; Justice; and National Security and International Affairs.

Honorees will be saluted by dignitaries from government, business, and the entertainment world at a Washington, DC gala event in October. Last year's nine recipients included two FBI investigators who solved a 40-year old Birmingham, Alabama church bombing case; a Coast Guard employee who directed the evacuation of 70,000 people from Lower Manhattan on 9/11; and a NIST physics pioneer who helped advance scientific career opportunities for women and minorities through a lifetime of service.

Submit nominations for the 2003 Service to America Medals at www.govexec.com/pps/

Nominations must be received by May 2, 2003.

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