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**[STUDENT NAME] RECEIVES DEGREE FROM CAL MARITIME**

VALLEJO, CA – In the presence of family and fellow classmates, [student name] received [his/her/their] degree in [major] from California State University Maritime Academy in Vallejo on Saturday, May 4.

[Student name] was one of 176 undergraduates and 23 graduate students to earn their degrees at an in-person commencement ceremony held on the Quad at Cal Maritime.

In addition to a diploma, [student name] earned [add any other awards, honors, or commission].

[Student name] departs Thursday, May 9 [if applicable] for a hands-on Summer Sea Term aboard Cal Maritime’s Training Ship *Golden Bear* to fulfill the requirements of [his/her/their] degree.

[Student] begins [his/her/their] career with a position at [company] in [location] as a [title] in [month].

Located on a compact and scenic waterfront campus in Vallejo, Calif., Cal Maritime is a unique and specialized campus of the 23-campus California State University system. It is one of only seven degree-granting maritime academies in the United States — and the only one on the West Coast.

The unique Cal Maritime program combines classroom learning with applied technology, leadership development and global awareness. Cal Maritime graduates have excellent career opportunities on land, in ports, and at sea.

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