FRIENDS OF CAPT. DAVE LYMAN CREATE $100,000 SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR STUDENTS FROM HAWAII TO HONOR HIS MEMORY

(Vallejo, CA – June 29, 2007)… The Captain David Lyman Endowment Fund Committee and The California Maritime Academy today announced the creation of The Captain David Lyman Scholarship Endowment, opening new opportunities for students from Hawaii attending Cal Maritime. The initial $100,000 funding for the endowment includes contributions from members of the Hawaiian maritime industry and of the Hawai’i Harbor Pilots Association, members of the Lyman family and the many many friends Capt. Lyman made during his life. Those contributions have been matched by The California Maritime Academy Foundation to create the initial endowment. Captain Lyman, a 1965 Academy graduate and founder of the Hawai’i Harbor Pilots Association, died January, 2006, in a fall from a boarding ladder during a pilot assignment.

The announcement was made June 29th at a reception for Cal Maritime alumni, cadets, families, friends and supporters, including Lyman family members and friends aboard the school’s training ship Golden Bear in Honolulu. The ship was in port for “changeover” – the transfer of cadets, faculty and staff between the first and the second of the school’s annual two-month training cruises – this year to ports of call in Asia.

Academy President William B. Eisenhardt, in announcing the new scholarship, said he was honored that the Endowment Fund Committee had not only raised such a significant amount of money in recognition of Capt. Lyman, but had then agreed to work with Cal Maritime in establishing a permanent memorial to their friend and colleague.

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“Capt. Lyman was known and loved throughout the Islands,” said Capt. Ed Enos, himself a pilot and a 1987 graduate of the Maritime Academy. “Dave had countless friends – not surprising given the many acts of kindness and generosity he displayed during his rich full life. As a member of the Endowment Fund Committee, I know all of us who loved Dave want to give something back, as he did so often. This new endowment will help keep his name alive, year in and year out, by helping promising students from the State of Hawaii attend the Maritime Academy and learn new skills so vital to Hawaii’s maritime trade and transportation industry.”

“The California Maritime Academy Foundation, in honor of one of its outstanding graduates, is matching the Lyman Endowment Fund Committee’s initial contribution,” explains Thomas Dunworth, the Academy’s Vice President for Advancement. “The starting endowment of $100,000 will provide new scholarship opportunities for students from Hawaii attending Cal Maritime. We hope to work with the Lyman Fund Endowment Committee in the future to further expand the size of the endowment, and the ability to assist more state students.”

“As the only U.S. maritime academy on the West Coast and a truly regional institution of specialized higher education, Cal Maritime draws students from throughout the Western U.S. and the Pacific Rim,” Dunworth explained. “Hawaii is second only to the State of Washington in the number of non-California students it sends to the California Maritime Academy each year. That is understandable given Hawaii’s ties to the sea and the importance of maritime skills to the state’s economy. Because Cal Maritime’s programs are unique, students from Hawaii benefit from an inter-state agreement with California which enables them to attend the Academy, a part of the California State University System, at a tuition that is half the normal out-of-state rate. The Lyman scholarship will further reduce costs and increase opportunities for promising students from Hawaii interested in maritime-related careers.”

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