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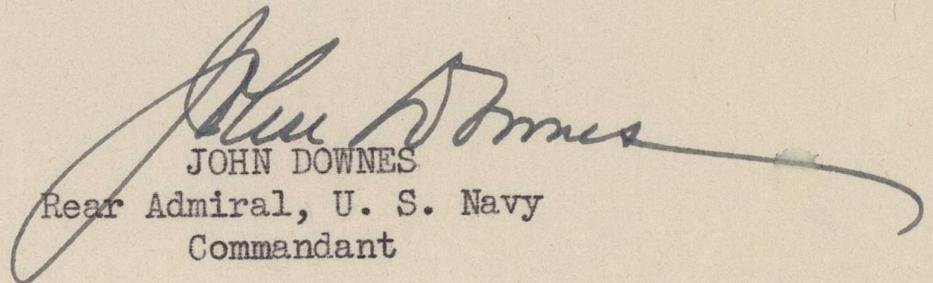
Dear Dr. Allen:

It is with much pleasure that we at the U. S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Illinois, send you this certificate in appreciation of the part you played in making the 1941-42 Great Lakes basketball season an outstanding success.

It was only through the efforts and cooperation of you and other men in similar positions that the Great Lakes team was able to carry out in so successful a manner the three objectives for which it was organized, namely; to "carry the Navy home" to the people of the middle-west, entertain and aid in the morale of the recruits at the station and to raise funds for the Navy Relief Society.

Expressing a sincere thanks for your cooperation and a hope that these cordial relations will continue, I am

Very truly yours,


JOHN DOWNES
Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy
Commandant

Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas