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The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have approved the retirement of Lieutenant General Earl B. Hailston, United States Marine Corps, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list. I certify that Lieutenant General Hailston served satisfactorily on active duty in his current grade. Lieutenant General Hailston, who is 56 years of age, most recently served as the Commander, U.S. Marine Forces Pacific/Commander, U.S. Marine Forces Central Command/Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific/Commander, U.S. Marine Corps Bases, Pacific. I have also notified the President of the United States and the President of the Senate of this action.

Sincerely,

