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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL CAP COMMANDERS

FROM: CAP/CC

SUBJECT: Interim Change Letter – CAPR 50-17, *CAP Senior Member Professional Development Program* and CAPR 280-2, *Civil Air Patrol Aerospace Education Mission*

1. The November 2007 National Executive Committee (NEC) voted to revise CAPR 50-17 to incorporate senior member professional development program credit(s) for achievements that were earned as a cadet. This change is retroactive for all senior members who earned certain achievements as former cadets. These achievements are explained below.
2. Credit will be awarded to former cadets based on specific accomplishments. Those members who earned the Earhart Award may receive the technician rating in the Cadet Programs Officer specialty training track. Members who have earned the Eaker Award may be awarded completion of SLS, the CAP Senior Officer Course, and Level II. In addition, members who earned the Spaatz Award may be awarded the senior rating in the Cadet Programs Officer specialty training track and the Yeager Award.
3. Official recognition of these achievements will be awarded on an individual basis. Former cadets who qualify for these awards should submit a written request, approved by their commander, to HQ CAP/DP to have the member's permanent record updated to reflect the appropriate equivalency as described above and issuance of the Yeager Award, if applicable. If completion of required cadet accomplishments is not already a part of the member's permanent record, then supporting documentation should be attached to the request.
4. This change letter will be incorporated into formal changes to CAPR 50-17 and CAPR 280-2.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amy Courter".

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Interim National Commander