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Steve Kelley KSA Parade of Sails PO Box 1275 Port Washington, NY 11050

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Dear Mr. Kelley,

I have received your Application for Approval of Marine Event, Form CG-4423, dated March 9, 2019, in which you requested approval for the KSA Parade of Sails, on June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019. I have reviewed your application and determined that the proposed event does not require a Coast Guard Marine Event Permit, as outlined in 33 CFR Part 100, in that the event does not introduce any extra or unusual hazards that would jeopardize the safety of human life on the navigable waters of the U.S. For this reason, a Coast Guard Permit for Marine Event, Form CG-4424, is not required.

You are reminded that, while no Coast Guard permit is required, you must comply with all existing Federal, State, and local laws and other requirements that may impact your ability to hold your event as proposed. You should take appropriate action to ensure compliance with all such requirements prior to holding your event. Although no Coast Guard permit will be issued at this time, it is your responsibility to contact this office if there are any changes to the event, including the number of participants and/or expected spectators, location, or any other significant changes that may necessitate reconsideration as to whether a permit is required.

I sincerely appreciate your proactive effort in bringing this marine event to my attention. Because of the dynamic nature of the waterway, boating, and maritime activities, the Coast Guard carefully considers the totality of the risks associated with each event on a case-by-case basis when determining whether a permit is needed. Although a Coast Guard Permit for Marine Event, Form CG-4424, is not required for this occasion, you should continue to submit an Application for Approval of Marine Event, Form CG-4423, for this, and any similar events, you may sponsor in the future.

Furthermore, nothing in this determination is intended to restrict the Coast Guard's ability to take action authorized under the Ports and Waterways Safety Act, the Magnusson Act, or other authorities to ensure the safety of vessels and waterfront facilities, and the protection of the navigable waters and the resources therein. Such actions could include promulgation of Regulated Navigation Areas or Limited Access Areas, broadcasting safety notices or disseminating safety flyers, or other actions taken under the authorities granted to the United States Coast Guard.

The decision that your proposed event does not require a Coast Guard permit in no way implies that the event is without risk or deemed completely safe, nor does it imply that the Coast Guard has "approved" the event. As the event sponsor, you are still responsible for the overall safety of the event and obtaining any appropriate permits from other Federal, State, or local authorities.

Please contact MST1 Ronald Sampert at (718) 354-4197 or MST1 Aurea Vazquez at (718) 354-4154, if you have any questions or if the event is cancelled for any reason. If the event is cancelled after 3 p.m. on weekdays or anytime during the weekend, contact the Sector New York Command Center at (718) 354-4353.

Sincerely,

J. W. BUCK

Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Chief, Waterways Management Division