http://www.regulations.gov. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388, that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

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Authority: 49 CFR 1.93(a), 46 U.S.C. 55103, 46 U.S.C. 12121.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator. Dated: May 24, 2017.

T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,

Secretary, Maritime Administration. [FR Doc. 2017–11021 Filed 5–26–17; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–81–P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2017-0095]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws: Vessel SEDNA; Invitation for Public Comments

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the

Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below.

DATES: Submit comments on or before June 29, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2017-0095. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DČ 20590. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available at http://www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bianca Carr, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W23–453, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202– 366–9309, Email *Bianca.carr@dot.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel SEDNA is:

- —Intended Commercial Use of Vessel: "Day sails, sightseeing, sailing instruction"
- —Geographic Region: "South Carolina, Georgia, Florida"

The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD-2017-0095 at http://www.regulations.gov. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388, that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

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Authority: 49 CFR 1.93(a), 46 U.S.C. 55103, 46 U.S.C. 12121.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator. Dated: May 24, 2017.

T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,

 $Secretary, Maritime\ Administration. \\ [FR\ Doc.\ 2017-11023\ Filed\ 5-26-17;\ 8:45\ am]$

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2017-0096]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws: Vessel RESOLUTE; Invitation for Public Comments

AGENCY: Maritime Administration **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below.

DATES: Submit comments on or before June 29, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD–2017–0096. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. You may also send comments electronically via the

Internet at http://www.regulations.gov. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available at http://www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bianca Carr, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W23–453, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202– 366–9309, Email *Bianca.carr@dot.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel RESOLUTE is:

—INTENDED COMMERCIAL USE OF VESSEL: Sailing charters —GEOGRAPHIC REGION: "California"

The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD-2017-0096 at http://www.regulations.gov. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388, that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state

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(Authority: 49 CFR 1.93(a), 46 U.S.C. 55103, 46 U.S.C. 12121)

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By Order of the Maritime Administrator. Date: May 24, 2017.

T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,

Secretary, Maritime Administration. [FR Doc. 2017–11022 Filed 5–26–17; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–81–P

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment to the Veterans' Family, Caregiver, and Survivor Advisory Committee

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment to the Veterans' Family, Caregiver, and Survivor Advisory Committee (hereinafter in this section referred to as "the Committee").

DATES: Nominations for membership on the Committee must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. EST on June 15, 2017.

ADDRESSES: All nominations should be mailed to Veterans Experience Office, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW. (30), Washington, DC 20420.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christine Merna, Designated Federal Officer, Veterans Experience Office, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW. (30), Washington, DC 20420, telephone (202) 632–8692.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Veterans' Family, Caregiver, and Survivor Advisory Committee is being established to advise the Secretary of VA on issues related to:

- (1) Veterans' families, caregivers, and survivors across all generations, relationships, and Veteran status;
- (2) The use of VA care and benefits services by Veteran's families, caregivers, and survivors, and possible adjustments to such care and benefits services;
- (3) Veterans' family, caregiver, and survivor experiences, and VA policies, regulations, and administrative requirements related to the transition of Service members from the Department of Defense to enrollment in VA that impact Veterans' families, caregivers, and survivors; and
- (4) Factors that influence access to, quality of, and accountability for services and benefits for Veterans' families, caregivers, and survivors.

The Committee responsibilities include:

- (1) Advising the Secretary on how VA can assist and represent Veterans' families, caregivers, and survivors, including recommendations regarding expanding services and benefits to Veterans' family members, caregivers, and survivors who are not currently served by VA, and related policy. Administrative, legislative, and/or regulatory actions;
- (2) Advising the Secretary on incorporating lessons learned from current, and previous, successful family research and outreach efforts that measure the impact of provided care and benefits services on Veterans' family, caregivers, and/or survivors;
- (3) Advising the Secretary on collaborating with family support programs within VA and engaging with other VA and non-VA advisory committees focused on specific demographics of Veterans and their families, caregivers, and survivors;
- (4) Advising the Secretary on working with interagency, intergovernmental, private/non-profit, community, and faith-based organizations to identify and address gaps in services;
- (5) Advising the Secretary on utilizing journey mapping or other means to depict the experience life cycle of families, caregivers, and survivors of Veterans to create a more holistic understanding of important life cycle events, moments that matter, and their impacts, and to ensure accountability;
- (6) Advising the Secretary on Veterans' family, caregiver, and survivor experiences, and the impact of VA policies, regulations, and administrative requirements related to the transition of Service members from the Department of Defense to the enrollment of Veterans;
- (7) Advising the Secretary on integrating Veterans' families, caregivers, and survivors into key VA initiatives such as access to care, suicide prevention, and homelessness; and
- (8) Providing such reports as the Committee deems necessary, but not less than one report per year, to the Secretary, through the Chief Veterans Experience Officer, Veterans Experience Office to describe the Committee's activities, deliberations, and findings, which may include but are not limited to: (1) Identification of current challenges and recommendations for remediation related to access to care and benefits services of Veterans' families, caregivers, and survivors; and (2) identification of current best practices in care and benefits delivery to Veterans' families, caregivers, and