

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
AIR FORCE RESERVE COMMAND



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MEMORANDUM FOR: HAPPY TRAILS ANIMATION

FROM: 482 AMXS/CC


SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation

TO: MR. ANDY COLLEN,

On behalf of the 482<sup>D</sup> Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, I would like to express our sincerest gratitude and deep appreciation for the earnest efforts put forth by the members of your team of outstanding artists and animators on our behalf on the 9th day of May, 2013.

On that date, the outstanding individuals, from Happy Trails Animation all lent their time and talent in an effort to revise our "old" Squadron Patch so that it could be used to create a "Squadron Flag" that we will proudly display outside of our Squadron Headquarters on a daily basis. We are so grateful that, despite having no advanced notice, you and your team answered our call and graciously volunteered your time and talent to help us meet a looming deadline. Your team sprang into action, taking a low resolution file with mismatched letter, and set about cleaning, re-lettering, and clarifying our "rough idea" into a beautiful finished high resolution image. Further your team went to the extra effort of delivering to us in a matter of hours, two options from which to choose in the manufacturing of our new flag by putting both images into "Adobe Illustrator Files" that we could use to reproduce your efforts by our Flag Manufacturer. Due to the tireless efforts of you and your staff, on Thursday, the 9<sup>th</sup> of May 2013, we had a pristine image that we can now proudly display as the Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Patch. We are extremely pleased with the results of your inspiring and professional work and has allowed our personnel to continue to focus on our mission capabilities, while giving them a Squadron Patch that they can now symbolically identify themselves with. The selfless work of yourself and Happy Trails Animation recalls the strong bonds of Heritage between the United States Air Force and animation; reflecting on credit upon your company as you continue traditions set forth by Walt Disney himself.

Again it is our distinct pleasure to have worked with, and be provided artwork by, Happy Trails Animation. We are grateful for your patriotic volunteerism and artistic efforts, in helping us to create the 482<sup>D</sup> Aircraft Maintenance Squadron patch in such a short amount of time.

  
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Commander, 482D Aircraft Maintenance Sq