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St. Francis Inn Receives Certificate of Appreciation From the Florida National Guard

St. Francis Inn – "the oldest Inn in America's Oldest City" (circa 1791) received a coveted 'Certificate of Appreciation' and coin from the Florida National Guard on August 18, 2018 to proprietor Joe Finnegan and the hardworking staff of the St. Francis Inn in St. Augustine.

LTC Julio Acosta and his staff of the 53rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team presented this honor for 'outstanding support, hospitality and friendship' to the largest command in the Florida National Guard.

The certificate reads: *"In recognition for your outstanding support of the 53rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team during recurrent work assignments to St. Augustine. Your detailed efforts and willingness to go the extra mile positively impacted Soldier morale and well-being, and were critical to this Brigade's overall success. Your generosity and friendship is a true reflection of your character & patriotism."*

Joe Finnegan replies *"It is always a pleasure to have the men and women from the National Guard, especially the 53rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, stay with us. They are wonderful representatives of our armed forces and represent the BEST of America. Our other guests love interacting with them and frequently give them a standing ovation whenever they come into the dining room for breakfast. I jokingly tell all of our guests that they can sleep well at night when staying with us at the St. Francis Inn since we have these soldiers also in residence. They are better than any security system!"*

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5th INFANTRY BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM
Certificate of Appreciation


Awarded to
JOE FINNEGAN and the ST FRANCIS INN STAFF

In recognition for your outstanding support of the 5th Infantry Brigade Combat Team during recurrent work assignments to St. Augustine, Florida. Your detailed efforts and willingness to go the extra mile positively impacted Soldier morale and well-being, and were critical to this Brigade's overall success.
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St. FRANCIS INN
 St. Augustine Inn & Restaurant
 JOE FINNEGAN
 Commanding