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(c) I have never been rejected for or discharged from any of His Majesty's Forces on account of unfitness.

(4) That the particulars contained above are correct and true according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the Toronto Division of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake to bind myself:-(a) To serve from the date thereof for the duration of hostilities, being subject to the provisions of the Naval Service Act, and of the Regulations made in pursuance thereof for the government of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, and to the customs and usages of His Majesty's Canadian Naval Service. (b) To report for active service if called upon in time of war or emergency, and, if called into active service, to serve ashore or afloat as may be directed, according to where my services are required. (c) To keep in good repair and condition the articles of uniform and any articles of outfit which may be issued to me and to return them to the nearest Divisional Commanding Officer or to Training Headquarters prior to my discharge or when required so to do by any authorized person, or to pay compensation for any loss or damage thereto other than fair wear and tear; and also not to wear such uniform or outfit (which is and remains the property of the Crown) except when on naval duty. (d) To undergo vaccination or re-vaccination, or inoculation, as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities. day of May, Dated this..... (C) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER I hereby certify that all the foregoing statements were made by the volunteer above named, in my Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer. Lieutenant, RCNVR. (D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE Harold John Hurd do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Britannic Majesty, His heirs and successors according to law. Date 13th May, Lieutenant, The Oath of Allegiance may be administered by a Commissioned Officer of the Naval Service. CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER Harold John Hurd Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, I have caused his name and every prescribed particular to be

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The Certificate of medical examination, B-207, and certificates of previous service are to be sent to Headquarters, Ottawa, with this form.

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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
- Naval Service -

OTTAWA, Canada.

FEB 15 1945

(Date) .

The following casualty has been reported -

NAVAL NO. RANK or RATING NAME V-35998, R.C.N.V.R. Ldg. Sick Berth Attendant HURD, Harold John DATE OF ENLISTMENT - 13th May, 1942 DATE OF DISCHARGE - 24 November, 1944 HOSPITAL -(If discharged in hospital under jurisdiction of D.P. & N.H.) Canada & High Seas (Indicate whether in Canada only; or in Canada and the high seas or elsewhere) MISSING, PRESUMED DEAD when the ship in which he was Reason for discharge and when and where any disability serving, H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN", was lost while on was incurred, or where death occurred. operational duty at sea. (Show clearly whether death or disability due to enemy action, accident or disease, and whether it occurred in Canada, or on the high seas or elsewhere outside Canada.) NEXT OF KIN & RELATIONSHIP -NAME - Mrs. Olga Hurd RELATIONSHIP - Wife 8 East Road, TORONTO, Ontario. ADDRESS -If records indicate that rating was separated from his wife, legally NOTE: or otherwise, details to be furnished and copy of any Court Order, the separtion Agreement, etc., to be furnished.

FORM "A" RESPECTING THE ABOVE NAMED HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY FORWARDED. PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR DETAILS OF MARRIAGE ALLOWANCE, DEPENDENTS ALLOWANCE, etc.

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N. S. V-35998 PERS. (N) "N" 5. . 28 August, 1945.

Dear Mrs. Hurd:

Further to my letter of the 15th of February, 1945, the Department is now able to release additional information regarding the loss of your husband's ship and I am accordingly passing on the following particulars which will, no doubt, be of interest to you.

H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN" sailed from Sydney, N.S., on the 24th of November, 1944, to escort a merchant ship to Port Aux Basques, Newfoundland, and arrived off Port Aux Basques that night. In accordance with orders she was then to carry out a patrol in the area for the duration of the night, after which she was to meet the same merchant ship the next morning and return with her to Sydney.

The merchant ship arrived in Sydney unescorted on the night of the 25th of November and after it was ascertained that "Shawinigan" had not appeared at the designated rendezvous to provide escort as instructed, searches were instituted and "Shawinigan" was discovered to be missing.

It was the opinion of the Department at the time that the ship had been torpedoed by an enemy submarine during the night of the 24th/25th of November, 1944, as submarines were known to be operating in that area; and this has since been confirmed from German evidence. Although no survivors were found, a few bodies were recovered by later searches, due to tidal movements, some distance from the area in which "Shawinigan" was known to be operating. As a result, the position of the sinking can not be exactly ascertained, although from German evidence and the Department's computation, it is estimated to be in the vicinity of the three mile limit off Channel Head, near Port Aux Basques, Newfoundland.

Yours sincerely,

Despatched by Sec. N. B.

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Date 30 - 8. 45 Approval on N. S. Timbogo, F. D. 76

See also N.S.S. 1156-331/93

Mrs. Olga Hurd. 8 East Road. Toronto 13. Ont.

N.S. V-35998, F.D.86, PERS.(N)

12 April, 1945.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that according to official information Harold John Hurd, Leading Sick Berth Attendant, Official Number V-35998, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, is missing, presumed dead to date the 24th of November, 1944, when the ship in which he was serving, H.M.C.S. "SHAWINIGAN", was lost while on operational duty at sea.

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

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ADDRESS:	8 East Road TORONTO 13, Ontario	REGN. NO. 1980			
(3) MEMORIAL CR MOTHER	Mrs. H. H. Hurd	6 April 1945			
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