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Flying 11 miles high for more than 30 hours, remotely-operated BAMS aircraft represent a new capability the Navy Reserve is ideally suited to support.

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Shipmates,

As we start the new fiscal year, our Navy Total Force is globally engaged as our Nation faces continued threats to peace and stability abroad and challenging economic times at home.

Our duty as Reserve Component Sailors is clear: While continuing to deliver a ready and accessible force in a cost-effective manner for today's missions, the Navy Reserve must be innovative and agile in providing valued capabilities for the future force. Fortunately, innovation and agility – the ability to quickly change how we organize and operate – are two of the defining characteristics of the Navy Reserve!

We are particularly well-suited to provide capabilities that are periodic and predictable in nature, or that the Navy must be able to scale quickly. The Navy Reserve is cost-effective in all cases: roughly cost-neutral when employed full-time and highly affordable when used less than full-time. The Navy Reserve can produce as many as seven ready and accessible Selected Reserve Sailors when needed for the cost of a single full-time Sailor held in strategic reserve.

The Navy Reserve provides cost-effective options to carry out new roles as the Navy balances future Total Force requirements, risks and costs. We have demonstrated throughout our history, and in the last decade in particular, that we are a trusted partner in both peace and war, capable of taking on both **existing** missions currently performed by the Active Component and completely **new** missions based on new technology.

One such capability is the Broad Area Maritime Surveillance system, or BAMS. BAMS aircraft are launched and recovered in theater but operated remotely by pilots and sensor operators in the United States. As the need for BAMS support varies with world events, Navy Reserve Sailors can scale from part-time to full-time, providing valued capabilities exactly when needed, then scaling back to part-time status until needed again.

Other new platforms, systems and partnerships offer exciting opportunities for RC Sailors to serve in the future force. Mine Countermeasures (MCM) modules for Littoral Combat Ships, the Phased Adaptive Approach for ballistic missile defense, Security Force Assistance teams, C2 centers and cyber warfare operations are all capabilities where the Navy Reserve should play an important role in the next decade.

Navy Reserve Sailors have a proud tradition of adapting to new missions, technologies and systems. We bring innovation from our civilian jobs, and we're eager to be involved with new and challenging missions. It's a win-win situation for both the Navy and our Reserve Sailors: the Sailors get to do real and meaningful work and the Navy gets the talent they need while making every dollar count.

We are truly fortunate to have the opportunity to serve our Navy and our Nation at this particular time. Now and in the future, we have the rare privilege to provide valued capabilities to our Navy while living up to the spirit of our Navy Reserve Force Motto: Ready Now – Anytime, Anywhere!

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