

## AVIATION GROUND MARINE OF THE YEAR

*For professional achievement in the superior performance of his duties as Mission Planning Intelligence Chief for VMFA-323, MAG-11, 3D MAW from 1 January to 31 December 2020. Staff Sergeant Warren's dedicated efforts supplied VMFA-323, Carrier Air Wing SEVENTEEN (CVW-17), and the Carrier Strike Group ELEVEN (CSG-11) with accurate intelligence support and battlespace awareness during an eight month combat deployment aboard USS Nimitz in support of OPERATIONS INHERENT RESOLVE, RESOLUTE SUPPORT, and FREEDOM SENTINEL. During high operational combat tempo, Staff Sergeant Warren assumed the responsibility of the CVW-17 mission planning Alpha—A company grade billet—in addition to his primary duties. He briefed the staff of CSG-11, warfare commanders, and aircraft wing officers for over 200 defensive counter air and combat air sorties. Furthermore, Staff Sergeant Warren supported Marine Special Operations Teams and Army Special Forces. Staff Sergeant Warren's initiative, perseverance, and total dedication to duty reflected credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Marine Corps and United States Naval Service.*



**Staff Sergeant  
Thomas J. Warren**

VMFA-323, MAG-11,  
3D MAW



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