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*I am proud to nominate to the Hall of Fame George Anthony Cedenno Jr. He is a success, and strong working man. I am proud to say he is my brother. George Cedenno was raised in West New York, New Jersey. As a young boy he always wanted to become a part of the military. As he grew up he faced many problems. One problem was he smashed his leg into a fish tank and broke his leg and that ruined his knee cap. To this day his knee still hurts. Another big problem him and his siblings faced, was an abusive child life. Once his parents broke up, his mom went into an abusive relationship. George was always abused more than the rest of us, because he always tried to stick up for us when we were in trouble.*

*Nothing stopped him to get to his dream; he always kept pushing himself to do well in everything. He was someone I looked up to. After his childhood terror, he began to do even better in school and kept pushing himself. On August 11, 2003, George Cedenno jr. went off to boot camp to become a United States marine. He graduated and went to different kinds of school to become an aircrew chief. The instructors put George in a special squadron because of his hard work and perseverance. This squad was called the HMX1 squadron.*

*HMX1 is the presidential squadron and only the best of the best go to that squad. After three years being in the USMC he now flies the presidential helicopter. Everywhere the president goes in a helicopter George Cedenno is there getting our*

*president safely to where he needs to be. Also George not only does that but also flies over large big named cities and secures them and, when hurricane Katrina came along and destroyed the Gulf, George was there and he saved lives. In my eyes that's a hero, and this hero comes from New Jersey. In two months George is going to be saluting the president everywhere he goes. Who would think that a person of that level would come from a small town called West New York?*

*George Cedeno should be inducted into the Hall of Fame for a number of reasons. First, he struggled during his childhood. Second, he is a great role model for kids and teens. Third he achieved his dream becoming a part of the military. Lastly, he is not a celebrity who does nothing for me and you; he is an average person that keeps us safe and the president safe. He is now attending a top secret school that is teaching him all about chemicals and bombs so he is doing much for this country. That's why George A. Cedeno should be inducted in the Hall of Fame and I am proud to call him my brother.*