

Gov. Egan Honors Wien Consolidated Stewardess Nancy Davis

JUNEAU—Governor William A. Egan presented the state's award for heroism and bravery Wednesday to Miss Nancy Davis, Wien Consolidated Airlines stewardess who convinced a man charged with hijacking a Wien jetliner on October 19 to surrender to authorities.

In a later afternoon ceremony witnessed by about 30 persons, including the 21-year-old stewardess' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Davis of Seattle, Governor Egan pinned the medal on Miss Davis and praised her cool composure in the Oct. 19 ordeal as "a great display of bravery performed not only in the interest of herself and her fellow crew members but of all Alaskans as well."

An accompanying certificate

of commendation cited Miss Davis for "her lonely courage her mastery of fear" and "her hope and concern for her fellow man."

Afterward, Miss Davis called the award "the experience of a lifetime." As for the hijacking she said: "No one would ever want to go through that kind of experience again. The crew was very fortunate."

Governor Egan also presented certificates of merit to the other crew members on the hijacked flight, Pilot Don Peterson, First Officer Ray Miller, Flight Engineer Keith Forsgren, and Stewardess Margie Hertz.

Those in Juneau for the ceremony included airline officials Sig Wien, board chairman, Ray Peterson, president, and Wyman

R. Rice, vice president of operations; state Director of Aviation Victor Schmidt and Anchorage International Airport manager Jack Peck; and fellow Wien em-

ployees and family members.

They later were guests of Governor and Mrs. Egan at a dinner in honor of Miss Davis and the other crew members.

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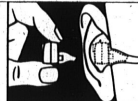
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