

CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS
(THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

TO

RICKY D. HINDMAN

Airman First Class Ricky D. Hindman distinguished himself by heroism while participating in aerial flight as Rescue Specialist aboard an HH-3E rescue Helicopter in Southeast Asia on 13 March 1968. On that date, Airman Hindman penetrated an extremely hostile area to effect the recovery of a downed pilot. Airman Hindman returned hostile antiaircraft fire during approach to and from the pickup area. No escort aircraft were available and Airman Hindman provided covering fire during the pickup. The outstanding heroism and selfless devotion to duty displayed by Airman Hindman reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.