

CITITION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS
(FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

TO

RICKY D. HINDMAN

Airman First Class Ricky D. Hindman distinguished himself by heroism while participation in aerial flight as Rescue Specialist of an HH-3E helicopter in Southeast Asia on 21 April 1968. On that date, Airman Hindman was instrumental in the rescue of four crew members from two United States Army helicopters shot down by hostile ground fire. With unwaivering calmness and courage, Airman Hindman manned the machine gun on the left side of the aircraft where heavy hostile ground fire was being directed at the rescue helicopter. The outstanding heroism and selfless devotion to duty displayed by Airman Hindman reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.