

CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF

THE AIR FORCE COMMENDATION MEDAL

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AIRMAN FIRST CLASS JOHN T. RICHARDSON

Airman First Class John T. Richardson distinguished himself by outstanding achievement on board a ship in the Pacific Ocean, six hundred miles west of Newport, Oregon from 16 May 1971 to 18 May 1971, while assigned to the 41st Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron at Hamilton Air Force Base, California. On these dates Airman Richardson was a member of a pararescue team which provided emergency medical treatment to a crewmember on board the freighter M/V World Pride, enroute to Astoria, Oregon. The injured seaman would not have survived without the expert medical aid administered by Airman Richardson. By his prompt action and humanitarian regard for his fellowman, Airman Richardson has reflected credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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