HEADQUARTERS 1ST BRIGADE 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION APO San Francisco 96347

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

KINDLE, LAYD D. PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E3 USA Co A, 2d Bn, 502d Inf, 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div, APO 96347 Awarded: Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device Date action: 9 July 1967 Theater: Republic of Viet Nam

Reason: For heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force: Private Kindle distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 9 July 1967 in the Republic of Viet Nam. While on a search and destroy mission, Private Kindle's platoon was moving along a river when they were suddenly taken under a heavy volume of enemy fire. The platoon leader immediately deployed his men and began to assault the energy positions. After having moved a short distance the platoon was again brought under heavy fire and pinned down. Private Kindle, realizing the precarious situation that was developing, immediately and with complete disregard for his own safety, moved through the vicious energy fire and began to assault the energy automatic weapons position. As he neared the enemy position he was struck by an enemy bullet and wounded. Disregarding his wound, Private Kindle charged the position and succeeded in overrunning the position, wounding several of the fleeing enemy soldiers. Private Kindle's devotion to duty and personal courage were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service, and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.

Authority: By direction of the President under the provisions of Executive Order 11046, 24 August 1962.

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