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1ST BRIGADE 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION
APO San Francisco 96347

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERITISM

1. TO GO. The following AWARD is announced.

WEBB, STERLING R.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E3 USA Co E, 2d En, 502d Inf

Awarded: Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device First Oak Leaf Cluster

Date action: 2 October 1967


Theater: Republic of Viet Nam

Reason: For heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force: Private Webb distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 2 October 1967 in the Republic of Viet Nam. While on a search and destroy mission, Private Webb's platoon became heavily engaged with an estimated North Vietnamese Army platoon, armed with automatic and heavy weapons. His platoon was almost immediately pinned down by the intense enemy fire. Realizing the necessity to flank the enemy, and with complete disregard for his own safety, he led his fire team in a courageous assault across forty meters of open bullet swept terrain. Upon reaching a position approximately ten meters from the enemy, he began directing accurate fire into the enemy positions, forcing them down and affording the remainder of his platoon a chance to maneuver against the enemy. Seconds later an enemy anti-tank rocket was fired into Private Webb's fire team's position, seriously wounding two troopers. The enemy then directed a murderous volume of automatic weapons fire at his fire team, pinning them down. He ordered his fire team to withdraw with the wounded, then deliberately exposed himself to the enemy fire, firing his weapon and hurling grenades into the enemy positions. Only after his fire team reached cover, did he withdraw to a covered position. Upon sweeping the vacated enemy positions the following morning, six North Vietnamese soldier's bodies were found in the area of his courageous actions. Private Webb'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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