## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Headquarters 101st Airborne Division APO San Francisco 96383

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## AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

BRUSCHETTE, JEROME A. MAJOR INFANTRY Headquarters and Headquarters Company 2d Battalion 502d Infantry APO San Francisco 96383

Awarded: The Distinguished Flying Cross

Effective month: NA

Date action: 23 March 1969 Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For heroism while participating in aerial flight evidenced by voluntary action above and beyond the call of duty in the Republic of Vietnam on 23 March 1969. Major Bruschette distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous action while serving as Operations Officer, 2d Battalion, 502d Infantry. Major Bruschette was conducting a visual reconnaissance and Liaison visit to his units in the assigned area of operations near Narn Hoa District, Republic of Vietnam, when he diverted his aircraft in order to support friendly elements in contact with an enemy force. He quickly evaluated the situation and maneuvered his aircraft into a blocking position to prevent the enemy from withdrawing from the area. He continuously remained unprotected from the ground fire to direct the aircraft in low level flight, effectively blocking the enemy movement. When the ground element ran low on ammunition, he personally resupplied the element, again under direct hostile ground fire. During the entire period he continuously demonstrated complete disregard for his own safety, directing the aircraft to the best tactical advantage, making repeated trips into the hostile zone and blocking the enemy escape. Major Bruschette's outstanding flying ability and devotion to duty 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 of the United States under provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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