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TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

TAKEDA, KENJI

1LT 1542 Co C 1st Bn (Ambl) 501st Inf

(WACMCO) APO SF 96383 IN

Awarded: The Silver Star

Date of service: 27 March 1971

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Authority: By direction of the President of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress established 9 July 1918

Reason:

For gallantry in action while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam. First Lieutenant Takeda distinguished himself on 27 March 1971 while serving as a platoon leader during combat operations in Quang Tri Province, Republic of Vietnam. While leading a patrol, Lieutenant Takeda's platoon came under intense enemy small arms and automatic weapons fire. Although wounded by the enemy fire, Lieutenant Takeda directed the suppressive fire of his platoon. He then led an assault on the enemy positions, continuing even after being wounded a second time. Throughout the encounter he directed his element's fire, radioed for support, and directed the evacuation of the wounded. His efforts were instrumental in routing the enemy from the erea. First Lieutenant Takeda's gallantry in action was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.

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