

# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL WHO SHALL SEE THESE PRESENTS, GREETING:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AUTHORIZED BY ACT OF CONGRESS JULY 9, 1918 HAS AWARDED

# THE SILVER STAR

TO

WARRANT OFFICER W1 TIMOTHY J. WRIGHT [redacted] UNITED STATES ARMY

## FOR GALLANTRY IN ACTION

IN THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ON 8 NOVEMBER 1968

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON THIS TWENTLETH 19 70 DAY OF MAY

GEORGE W. PUTNAM JR.

Brigadier General, USA

Commanding - 1st Aviation Brigade



#### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY HEADQUARTERS, 1ST AVIATION BRIGADE APO San Francisco 96384

CENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 4011

"NGUY HIEM"

20 May 1970

### AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

TO 439. The following AWARD is announced.

WRIGHT, TIMOTHY J. SSAN: [redacted] WARRANT OFFICER WI United States Army, Troop A, 3rd Armored Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry, APO 96289

Awarded: Silver Star

Date of service: 8 November 1968

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Authority: By direction of the President under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926, AR 672-5-1 and USARV Reg 672-1 dated 1 July 1969.

Reason:

For gallantry in action in connection with military operations involving conflict with an armed hostile force: Warrant Officer Wright distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions while serving as aircraft commander of an attack helicopter during a combat operations southwest of Ben Tre, in Kien Hoa Province. He was providing cover for a light observation helicopter, when the scout ship received heavy automatic weapons fire from a nearby structure. Immediately, he unleashed a devestating barrage of rocket fire on the building, setting it on fire and exposing a large bunker. Maneuvering his aircraft at hover speed, he placed deadly mini-gun fire on the enemy as the heat drove them from the bunker, resulting in eleven enemy dead. Seconds later, he came under heavy machinegun fire from a well concealed bunker. and electing to hover over the bunker, he fixed a deadly barrage at the enemy. Due largely to Warrant Officer Wright's actions throughout the day, numerous enemy soldiers were killed, an unknown amount of enemy supplies destroyed, over one hundred enemy sampans sunk, and an untotaled number of buildings and bunkers destroyed. Warrant Officer Wright's unquestionable bravery, devotion to duty, and outstanding ability were instrumental in the complete success of the mission. His actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

OFFICIAL:

JERRY M. BUNYARD LTC, Field Artillery Chief of Staff

JAMES M. NAKAGAWA

CW2, USA

Asst AG