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SECTION I

AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted men:

JOSEPH F OWENS, (34368390), Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 September 1944, in Italy. After resisting several fierce counterattacks and having received orders to withdraw, Staff Sergeant OWENS found it impossible due to the steady hail of enemy automatic rifle and sniper fire on his position. Having issued orders to his squad to withdraw to a rallying point at the first opportunity, he went forward to a vantage point, engaged the enemy in a fire fight, and succeeded in killing six and wounding four German soldiers, enabling his squad to reach the designated rallying point where he later rejoined it. Entered the military service from Ware Shoals, South Carolina.

ERNEST IHRIG, (37185318), Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 September 1944, in Italy. While leading his squad on an enemy held objective, Staff Sergeant IHRIG, a rifle squad leader, was fired upon by an enemy machine pistol. Placing his squad under cover, he crawled forward alone and succeeded in destroying the enemy position, capturing its one occupant. Then leading his squad around to the rear of the enemy position, he led it in an attack on the objective which resulted in the capture of fifty-four prisoners. This quick thinking and initiative shown by Staff Sergeant IHRIG led to the quick capture of the objective and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered the military service from Avery, Missouri.

EUGENE F WALKER, (35706176), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 September 1944, in Italy. When his platoon was halted by intense enemy machine gun fire while attacking a strongly defended enemy held hill, Private First Class WALKER, a bazooka gunner, realizing that further advancement necessitated the neutralizing of the hostile weapon, courageously moved out to destroy it. Crawling over exposed terrain under continuing machine gun fire, he reached a position within effective range and with two well aimed shots succeeded in destroying the weapon, killing three of the gun crew and wounding three others, enabling the platoon to advance and seize its objective. Entered the military service from Greensburg, Kentucky.

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JAMES D WILLIAMS, (35228325), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 October 1944, in Italy. When his squad leader was wounded in an attack on a heavily fortified enemy line, Private First Class WILLIAMS, a rifleman, showed great initiative in assuming command, reorganizing the squad, and continuing the attack. When a squad assault was unsuccessful on an enemy strongpoint, Private First Class WILLIAMS, after placing his men in a covered position, crawled forward alone to within ten yards of the enemy emplacement, and despite heavy machine gun fire, succeeded in neutralizing the position with grenades, killing three German soldiers. This courageous act and fine initiative made possible a subsequent squad assault on a second emplacement and reflects the highest traditions of the military service. Entered the military service from New Holland, Ohio.

ALBERT F LO PRESTI, (32801319), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "A", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 September 1944, in Italy. Moving forward with his squad to secure the flank of an enemy held hill, Private First Class LO PRESTI, a rifleman, located an enemy machine gun nest which had complete coverage of the route of advance. Voluntarily, and without regard for his own safety, he advanced upon the dugout through intense machine gun and rifle fire and by skilful use of cover and concealment he reached a position from which he could direct accurate fire upon the emplacement, killing one of the occupants and forcing the remaining two to surrender. His gallant display of courage and determination in the face of heavy enemy fire paved the way for his company's advance and made possible the capture of approximately fifty-four German prisoners, reflecting great credit upon himself, his unit, and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered the military service from Corona, New York.

SECTION IIAWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officers and enlisted men:

OLIVER W HUGHES, (014974), Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters 337th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 January 1945, in Italy. Entered the United States Military Academy from Ohio.

FRANK H MORGAN, (0294264), Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 337th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 24 October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Kankakee, Illinois.

SEVERN L HANDLEY, (01284504), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Service Company, 337th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 1 October to 1 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Cheyenne, Wyoming.

LOUIS J CALABRIA, (01540783), Second Lieutenant, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company "D", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 and 26 October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Inwood, New York.

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FRANCIS O ROLLINGER, (39179891), Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Tacoma, Washington.

HOWARD M DAUGHERTY, (37088257), Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Riverton, Wyoming.

OTTO A WINTER, (37125491), Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "M", 337th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 September 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Norfolk, Nebraska.

JOSEPH A TABBUTT, (20143270), Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 13 September 1944 to 1 February 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from Augusta, Maine.

PAUL W ROBY, (33691522), Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "F", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 13 September to 21 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Greenburg, Pennsylvania.

REVIAS SIMMONS, (34330644), Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "M", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 13 September to 21 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Northport, Alabama.

WILLIAM DAVENPORT, (36878351), Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Lincoln Park, Michigan.

LOUIS E SKELTON, (33123707), Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Charlotte, Virginia.

CARMINE A SICOLA, (32302301), Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 13 September to 13 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

SEVERO FLORES, (38157982), Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 September 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Laredo, Texas.

REX RUEDA, (32630367), Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 September 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

LEONARD KOFISKY, (12194917), Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

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PAUL D EVANS, (33019155), Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 13 January to 3 March 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from Bellwood, Pennsylvania.

LOUIS R KINDBERG, (35381359), Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 13 September 1944 to 13 March 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from Akron, Ohio.

EVERETT O GARRETT, (34304513), Sergeant, Infantry, Company "M", 337th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 March 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from Pleasant Garden, North Carolina.

HOSTON A DAVIS, (13079365), Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 13 September 1944 to 14 March 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from Bangor, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM E GOODMAN, (33155525), Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 14 January to 14 March 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from Richmond, Virginia.

ANTHONY D SABA, (33059442), Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company "C", 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 13 September to 18 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

JOHN L KODRA, (33059026) Corporal, Infantry, Company "D", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 September 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Luzerne, Pennsylvania.

DONALD B BYERS, (33313449), Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 337th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 3 April 1944 to 3 April 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD T COMBS, SR., (34883316), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 337th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 March 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from Nashville, Tennessee.

REUBEN G ARVIZU, (33193790), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from Tucson, Arizona.

ROBERT L STONEHAM, (35327758), Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 14 January to 14 March 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from North Fairfield, Ohio.

KENNETH D COHENOUR, (36711516), Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Sterling, Illinois.

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LEO L DE LACY, (36690807), Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 February 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from Lyons, Illinois.

ROY A EKSTEDT, (32542166), Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 13 January to 3 March 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from Eltingville, Staten Island, New York.

VINCENZO MASTIFINO, (31387779), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 13 September to 13 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

TONY J BONANNO, (33267213), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 13 September to 13 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Seminole, Pennsylvania.

CONNIE A MIKESKA, (38542240), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Houston, Texas.

CHARLES S MENDENHALL, (36764508), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "P", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 13 September to 21 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ANTHONY L DI GENNARO, (31327123), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 13 September to 13 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Wallingford, Connecticut.

CURTIS DANIELS, (34276488), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "D", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 September 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Waynesboro, Mississippi.

DELBERT K WELLS, (36874653), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Mt. Olivet, Kentucky.

ALEX F HAJAS, (6700003), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "D", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Latrobe, Pennsylvania.

HERBERT F MOMBAUR, (42006269), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 September 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Madison, New Jersey.

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PHILIP C DENNEHY, (31341816), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I",
339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14
September 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Middletown, Connecticut.

RICHARD J MITCHELL, (16102497), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I",
339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22
October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Ripon, Wisconsin.

JAMES L TAYLOR, (36486292), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "K",
339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15
September 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Beardstown, Illinois.

ORMOND A COLE, (34893491), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E",
339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 1
October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Leicester, North Carolina.

JAMES R BRYAN, (34874018), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "K",
339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25
October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from West Point, Mississippi.

VIRGIL B ZOOK, (33200355), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E",
339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat dur-
ing the period 13 September to 21 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military ser-
vice from Laurel, Maryland.

WAYNE E COOPER, (33238392), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I",
339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25
October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Ephrata, Pennsylvania.

DONALD L SNYDER, (35349375), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L",
339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat dur-
ing the period 13 September to 13 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military ser-
vice from Fostoria, Ohio.

JULIUS R BERTILSON, (37116450), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F",
339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action dur-
ing the period 13 September to 21 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military ser-
vice from Madelia, Minnesota.

RAYMOND FELGENHAUER, (35307212), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F",
339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action dur-
ing the period 13 September to 21 November 1944, in Italy. Entered the military ser-
vice from Cleveland, Ohio.

STEPHEN J GARBOWSKI, (32908782), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G",
339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17
September 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Glen Head, New York.

BARTOLOME ALOMAR, JR., (34871684), Private First Class, Infantry, Company
"I", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action
on 2 October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Columbus, Mississippi

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ISAAC C WRIGHT, (34447738), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "K", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Ocilla, Georgia.

MARLYN E MEEKINS, (33764837), Private First Class, Infantry, Company "K", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Ebensburg, Pennsylvania.

JAMES A CHAMBERS, JR., (34721502), Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 338th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat during the period 13 January to 3 March 1945, in Italy. Entered the military service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

DAVID B CARROLL, (34874693), Private, Infantry, Company "K", 339th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 13 September to 13 October 1944, in Italy. Entered the military service from Grenada, Mississippi.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COULTER:

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