The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the BRONZE STAR MEDAL to

Private First Class Barry Michael MILLER

United States Marine Corps

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For heroic achievement in connection with operations against the enemy in the Republic of Vietnam while serving as a Machine Gunner with Company L, Third Battalion, Twenty-Sixth Marines, Third Marine Division. On 3 July 1968, while conducting a reconnaissance patrol during Operation Mamaluke Thrust, Private First Class MILLER's platoon came under intense small arms and automatic weapons fire from a well concealed, numerically superior North Vietnamese Army force. In the initial moments of the fire fight, several Marines became casualties and fell in an area exposed to heavy .50 caliber machine gun fire. Realizing the seriousness of the situation and the need for medical evacuation, Private First Class MILLER unhesitatingly advanced to the point of heaviest contact and, with complete disregard for his own safety, directed suppressive fire at the enemy machine gun position. Delivering over 500 rounds of continuous, accurate fire, he silenced the entrenched enemy machine gun, enabling his companions to evacuate the casualties and maneuver to more advantageous positions. His heroic actions were instrumental in saving the life of at least one Marine and prevented additional casualties. Private First Class MILLER's courage, bold initiative and selfless devotion to duty at great personal risk were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service."

Private First Class MILLER is authorized to wear the Combat "V".