HEADQUARTERS 26TH INFANTRY DIVISION APO 26, U. S. Army

15 May 1945

STEJECT: Award of Bronze Star Medal.

TO: Private First Class Alec E. DiZazzo, 20117548, 26th Quartermaster Company.

CITATION

Private First Class Alec E. DiZazzo, 20117548, Quartermaster Company, 26th Quartermaster Company, 26th Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an armed enemy in the vicinity of Bernreid, Germany, on 25 April 1945. While proceeding along a road in the vicinity of Bernreid, Private First Class DiZazzo, a 26th Quartermaster Company driver, came under the fire of six enemy hidden in the woods which lined the route. Seizing his rifle, Private First Class DiZazzo sprang from his vehicle, dove beneath the body of the truck and opened counterfire on the enemy. Although wounded in the left arm, he maintained his fire, wounding one of his fees and driving the others deeper into the woods. Just before the enemy withdrew, Private First Class DiZazzo was again wounded, this time being knocked unconscious. On regaining consciousness and finding his vehicle would not operate, he walked, despite his wounds, to the installations of a friendly regiment, reported the location of his truck and received medical treatment. His courage under fire, strong initiative and loyal devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon Private First Class DiZazzo and the armed forces of the United States.

By command of Major General PAUL:

C. A. HILEMAN Lt. Col., AGD Adjutant General