



**CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE AIR MEDAL**

TO

**LIEUTENANT JACK WILLARD DUNN
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD**

For meritorious achievement in aerial flight on September 10, 1965 while serving as copilot and later as pilot of a Coast Guard helicopter engaged in the rescue of men, women and children during the flood disaster in the New Orleans area following the passage of Hurricane "Betsy". Despite hazardous weather conditions caused by high turbulent winds, heavy rain, low ceilings and poor visibility, Lieutenant DUNN departed the New Orleans Air Station and skillfully assisted the pilot in the rescue of an injured woman from a stranded truck. After this mission, he alternated flying the helicopter with the pilot, operating dangerously close to tall trees, power lines and other obstructions, and evacuated 54 persons from positions of peril. Lieutenant DUNN displayed outstanding airmanship throughout the perilous operations. His skill, courage, sound judgment and unwavering devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Coast Guard.