



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT
THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY HAS AWARDED THE

NAVY AND MARINE CORPS ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL (WITH COMBAT DISTINGUISHING DEVICE) (POSTHUMOUSLY)

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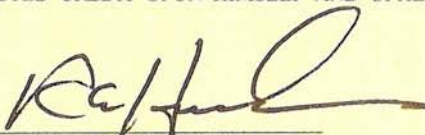
CORPORAL DAVID K. KREUTER, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE

FOR

HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT AS FIRE TEAM LEADER, COMPANY L, 3D BATTALION, 25TH MARINES, REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM 2, 2D MARINE DIVISION, II MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE (FORWARD) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM 03-05 AND 04-06 FROM 4 MARCH TO 3 AUGUST 2005 IN AL ANBAR PROVINCE, IRAQ. CORPORAL KREUTER PARTICIPATED IN ELEVEN OPERATIONS, CLEARED OVER 200 BUILDINGS, HELPED SEIZE OVER 100 WEAPONS AND AIDED IN THE CAPTURE OF TWENTY DETAINEES. DURING OPERATION OUTER BANKS, CORPORAL KREUTER IDENTIFIED AN ENEMY MORTAR CREW FIRING ON HIS POSITION, AND USING M16A4 RIFLE AND M203 GRENADE FIRE, HE ELIMINATED THREE INSURGENTS. DURING OPERATION MATADOR, WHILE UNDER ENEMY FIRE, CORPORAL KREUTER OCCUPIED AN ASSAULT POSITION AND ROOFTOP OVERWATCH POSITIONS TO EFFECTIVELY COORDINATE FIRE AND MANEUVER SEVERAL SQUADS. THIS ACTION ELIMINATED SIX ENEMY FIGHTERS. CORPORAL KREUTER'S INITIATIVE, COURAGE, AND DEVOTION TO DUTY REFLECTED CREDIT UPON HIMSELF AND UPHELD THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE MARINE CORPS AND UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

GIVEN THIS 20TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2005




For the **SECRETARY OF THE NAVY**
R. A. HUCK
MAJOR GENERAL, U. S. MARINE CORPS
COMMANDING GENERAL
2D MARINE DIVISION