



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND  
1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE, DEPARTMENT 480  
FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

PERMANENT ORDER 055-12

24 February 2015

Headquarters, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82d Airborne Division  
1st Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment  
2d Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment  
4th Squadron, 73d Cavalry Regiment  
2d Battalion, 321st Field Artillery Regiment  
782d Support Battalion  
Special Troops Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82d Airborne Division

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award

Period of service: 15 March 2012 to 7 September 2012

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14

Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy, during the period 15 March 2012 to 7 September 2012, Headquarters, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82d Airborne Division and the cited units displayed valorous and exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom XII. While conducting combat stability operations throughout the Zharay, Maiwand and Ghorak Districts of Kandahar Province, Afghanistan the unit defeated the Zharay-Panjwai Taliban network, cleared enemy support zones in Afghanistan's most violent district and the spiritual birthplace of the Taliban and provided hope and opportunity to the Afghan people. The unit successfully integrated, trained and executed countless partnered counterinsurgency operations with Afghan National Security Forces to secure the Afghan people. Through their efforts, the Unified Command Team was able to bring hope, opportunity and community resiliency to the Zharay and Maiwand Districts. The exemplary performance of Headquarters, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82d Airborne Division and the cited units is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon themselves, Regional Command-South, United States Forces-Afghanistan, International Security Assistance Forces, National Atlantic Treaty Organization and the United States Army.

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Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is still subject to final confirmation in Department of the Army General Orders. Official verification of a specific unit's entitlement to display the award in the form of an appropriate streamer on its flag or guidon rests with the U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH), which is also responsible for determining official unit Lineage and Honors for MTOE organizations.

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CMH will use this permanent order to authorize the manufacture of an appropriate decoration streamer for any organization clearly entitled to display the award. The streamers will then be manufactured and sent to the U.S. Army Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units concerned. It is not the responsibility of HRC to replace streamers that are lost or damaged. Please refer to AR 840-10 for further guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:



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