



CPT Howard M. Moore
Class 66-43

The President of the United States of America, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 9, 1918, takes pleasure in presenting the Distinguished Service Cross to Captain (Field Artillery) Howard M. Moore, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy of the United Nations while commanding Battery C, 61st Field Artillery Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division. Captain Moore distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against enemy aggressor forces in the vicinity of Pakchon, Korea, on 5 November 1950. On that date, Captain Moore's battery had moved into a new position to provide supporting fire for the withdrawal of a friendly brigade when a numerically superior enemy force attacked the new position in an attempt to cut off the route of withdrawal. Although subjected to intense fire from the enemy, who occupied commanding terrain, Captain Moore, realizing the importance of repulsing the attack, moved among his men, organizing them and supervising their defensive actions. During the ensuing engagement he repeatedly exposed himself to the deadly enemy fire to direct return fire. His courageous leadership was an incentive to his men who fought willingly and valiantly against tremendous odds. When enemy troops were storming his position, Captain Moore ordered 105-mm. howitzers to be brought into action and used as direct fire weapons. His selfless devotion to duty and inspiring leadership were directly responsible for the success of the battery in repulsing the enemy attack and protecting the only route of withdrawal for the friendly brigade.

General Orders: Headquarters, Eighth U.S. Army, Korea: General Orders No. 508 (July 4, 1951)