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CITATION FOR FATHER ROESCH

Father Raymond A. Roesch, Society of Mary, President of the University of Dayton is awarded the Distinguished Civilian Service Medal in recognition of his contributions to the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps program for the period August 15, 1959, to December 31, 1967. Father Roesch has displayed inspirational leadership, initiative, and forceful determination in support of the ROTC program at the University of Dayton. He has demonstrated a keen and abiding interest in the affairs of the Military Science Department and has taken advantage of every opportunity to publicly express his support of the ROTC program not only at the University of Dayton, but throughout the United States. Through his leadership the University of Dayton Corps of Cadets has become the second largest in the country. During his tenure there has been a 300% increase in the yearly output of Reserve Officers. As the representative of the National Catholic Education Association to the Army Advisory Panel on ROTC Affairs Father Roesch provided invaluable assistance in the development of major improvements and modifications in the policies and programs of Army ROTC. The active and enthusiastic support given to the ROTC Program and the military services by Father Roesch has contributed immeasurably to the success of military training at the University of Dayton. His initiative, zeal, professional competence, and dedication to the support of high ideals for which our country stands, reflects great credit upon himself, his country, the University of Dayton, and the Armed Forces of the United States.