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Unit Calg Highrs (CIC)

Division 19 1945

Army No. and Rank M-8988, Private

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Name Raymond Eugene AUSTIN

(Christian names must be stated)

Action for which commended
(Date and place of action must be stated)

Recommended
by

Honour
or
Reward

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During the attack on WYLER, GERMANY on 8 February 1945 Private Austin was runner for "C" Company of the Calgary Highlanders. His company suffered many casualties, including the Company Commander, as they advanced through an open field which was thickly planted with anti-personnel mines, and under heavy enemy mortar fire.

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Lt-Col - Calg Highrs

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While performing his duties as runner which necessitated his moving about in the open through the mined area and under fire he not only did his job but also observed what was going on about him, one occasion bringing back information of the progress of a platoon which was out of communication and whose success was of vital importance to the company's continued action.

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He also returned after completion of a task to the mine field where he had noticed a number of casualties who were unattended as the medical orderlies were missing, and administered first

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aid making them as comfortable as possible to await stretcher bearers.

When sent back with sixteen prisoners, he marched them through the mine-field and used them as stretcher bearers to carry out the casualties he had previously attended.

All through this operation Private Austin, by his untiring efforts and quick thinking, with a complete disregard for his own safety, kept contact between the platoons and was responsible without doubt for saving the lives of a number of casualties. His example of extreme courage and his initiative in performing tasks far in excess of the normal course of his duty have set a high standard for those in his company.

Action for which commended
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Recommended
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Headquarters
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Forward

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W. J. Donoghue

FIELD MARSHAL
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
ARMY

If a casualty as under, fill in date

Nature of Casualty	Date
Killed in action	
Died of Wounds	
Died	
Missing	
Prisoner of War	