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SENATE RESOLUTION

11 COMMENDING THE SOLDIERS, AIRMEN, SAILORS, AND
12 MARINES OF THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD AND THE
13 ARMED FORCES RESERVE FOR THEIR SERVICE; EXTENDING
14 THE GREATEST APPRECIATION FOR THE SACRIFICES THAT
15 EACH MEMBER HAS MADE TO SERVE OUR COUNTRY; AND
16 EXTENDING ITS MOST SINCERE AND HEARTFELT WELCOME
17 TO EACH MEMBER UPON RETURN HOME TO THE STATE OF
18 ARKANSAS.

Subtitle

21 COMMENDING THE ARKANSAS SOLDIERS,
22 AIRMEN, SAILORS, AND MARINES OF THE
23 ARKANSAS ARMY NATIONAL GUARD AND THE
24 ARMED FORCES RESERVE FOR THEIR SERVICE.

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27 WHEREAS, the volunteer citizen-soldiers of the Arkansas National Guard
28 and Armed Forces Reserves have been vital to the defense of the nation since
29 the first shot at Concord to the fighting today in Iraq and Afghanistan; and
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31 WHEREAS, the National Guard and Armed Forces Reserves account for only
32 a fraction of the defense budget but allow the nation to almost double the
33 size of the Armed Forces, making them an essential part of a total-force
34 concept; and
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36 WHEREAS, the National Guard and Armed Forces Reserves are vital to the



1 national security of the United States; and

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3 WHEREAS, more than six thousand (6,000) soldiers, airmen, sailors, and
4 marines of the Arkansas National Guard and Armed Forces Reserves have served
5 with great distinction since September 11, 2001; and

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7 WHEREAS, the members of the National Guard and Armed Forces Reserves
8 have made a long journey from the State of Arkansas to destinations all
9 around the world and back again; and

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11 WHEREAS, while many have returned home and many more continue to return
12 home after making incredible sacrifices to serve their country, we should
13 continue to remember and support those who still serve our nation,

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15 NOW THEREFORE,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
17 STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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19 THAT the Eighty-fifth General Assembly of the State of Arkansas
20 commends each and every soldier, airman, sailor, and marine of the Arkansas
21 National Guard and the Armed Forces Reserves for his or her service to the
22 country in faraway lands and that the State of Arkansas extends its greatest
23 appreciation for the sacrifices that these men and women have made to serve
24 our country.

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26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Assembly extends its most
27 sincere and heartfelt welcome to each and every soldier, airman, sailor, and
28 marine of the Arkansas National Guard and the Armed Forces Reserves upon his
29 or her return home to the State of Arkansas.

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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon adoption of this resolution, the Chief
32 Clerk of the Senate shall mail a copy of this resolution to the Adjutant
33 General of the Arkansas National Guard for dissemination to each military
34 organization in the State of Arkansas.