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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing the outstanding lifetime service of Major General Douglas Burnett, Adjutant General of Florida.

WHEREAS, Major General Douglas Burnett began his military career in 1963, when he enlisted in the Florida Air National Guard shortly after graduating from high school in Jacksonville, and

WHEREAS, following basic training at Lackland Air Force
Base, in Texas, Major General Douglas Burnett attended the
United States Air Force Electronics School at Keesler Air Force
Base, in Mississippi, and

WHEREAS, in 1969 Major General Douglas Burnett received a direct commission and attended undergraduate pilot training at Randolph Air Force Base, in Texas, and

WHEREAS, Major General Douglas Burnett earned his wings in June 1970 and, after completing F-102 training, was assigned as a full-time Alert Pilot in the NORAD mission in the 125th Fighter Group, and

WHEREAS, Major General Douglas Burnett was dual-qualified in both military fighter and transport aircraft in addition to flying commercially with Pan American World Airways and United Airlines, accumulating over 20,000 flying hours in the T-33, F-102, F-106, C-26, C-130H, C-131, C-54, Boeing 727, and McDonnell-Douglas DC-10, and

WHEREAS, Major General Douglas Burnett received a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University

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of Southern Mississippi and is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and the Air War College, and

WHEREAS, Major General Douglas Burnett's military decorations include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Air Force Achievement Medal, the Combat Readiness Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Florida Cross, the Florida Distinguished Service Medal, and the Florida Commendation Medal, and

WHEREAS, Major General Douglas Burnett currently serves as Adjutant General of Florida and is a member of the Department of Defense Reserve Forces Policy Board, is actively involved with the National Guard Association of the United States, having served two terms on the Executive Council, and is a past president of the National Guard Officers Association of Florida, and

WHEREAS, Major General Douglas Burnett will be retiring as a two-star general on June 27, 2010, after 47 years of service, the longest serving officer in the history of the United States Air Force, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

That the members of the House of Representatives congratulate Major General Douglas Burnett on his outstanding service to this state and this nation and express appreciation to him for his great sacrifice in protecting the freedoms

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enjoyed by all Americans.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, with the Seal of the House of Representatives affixed, be presented to Major General Douglas Burnett as a tangible token of the sentiments of the Florida House of Representatives.

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