

By Senator Collins

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing the accomplishments and contributions to this state and to the nation of United States Army Command Sergeant Major Shane W. Shorter, Command Senior Enlisted Leader of the United States Special Operations Command at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa.

WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Shane W. Shorter currently serves as Command Senior Enlisted Leader of the United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, and

WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Shorter enlisted in the United States Army in 1988 and attended Infantry Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, and

WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Shorter volunteered for Special Forces training and graduated from the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1992, and

WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Shorter was subsequently assigned to 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (A) at Fort Lewis, Washington, and over his ensuing 23 years of service, has held the positions of Junior Medical NCO, Senior Medical NCO, Team Sergeant, and HSC First Sergeant, and

WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Shorter's nominative positions include the Command Senior Enlisted Leader of Special Operations Command Pacific, United States Indo-Pacific Command, and Joint Special Operations University, and

WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Shorter is a graduate of the Special Forces Qualification Course, the Special Forces

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Operations and Intelligence Course, the Static Line Jumpmaster Course, the Dive Medical Technician's Course, and the Military Free Fall Parachutist Course, and

WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Shorter's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with "V" device, and the Army Achievement Medal, and he has been awarded the Special Forces Tab, the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Expert Infantryman's Badge, the Expert Field Medic Badge, the Master Parachutist Badge, the Military Free Fall Parachutist Badge, and the Saint Phillip of Neri Award (Bronze Order), and

WHEREAS, since taking up his assignment at USSOCOM in August 2022, Command Sergeant Major Shorter has worked with this state's federally elected officials to assist in recovery from Hurricanes Helene and Milton in 2024, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That the accomplishments and contributions to this state and to the nation of United States Army Command Sergeant Major Shane W. Shorter, Command Senior Enlisted Leader of the United States Special Operations Command at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, are recognized and honored.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to Command Sergeant Major Shane W. Shorter as a tangible token of the sentiments of the Florida Senate.