

2020 Second Extraordinary Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 35

BY SENATOR REESE

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Brigadier General Patrick D. Frank, commanding general of the Joint Readiness Training Center and Fort Polk, for his accomplishments.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Brigadier General Patrick D. Frank for his accomplishments throughout his
3 illustrious military career.

4 WHEREAS, Brigadier General Frank graduated from St. Bonaventure University and
5 was commissioned as an Infantry officer; and

6 WHEREAS, Brigadier General Frank holds a Bachelor of Arts in Finance and a
7 Masters in Public Administration from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University; and

8 WHEREAS, he also received a master's degree in both National Security and
9 Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College; and

10 WHEREAS, Brigadier General Frank assumed command of the Joint Readiness
11 Training Center (JRTC) and Fort Polk on February 28, 2018; and

12 WHEREAS, the JRTC and Fort Polk, located in central Louisiana, is home to the
13 Army's premier Combat Training Center and multiple globally deployable combat
14 formations; and

15 WHEREAS, throughout his career, Brigadier General Frank served in a variety of
16 command and staff assignments; and

17 WHEREAS, his previous assignments include Deputy Commanding General and
18 Acting Senior Commander of 1st Infantry Division at Fort Riley, Kansas; Executive Officer

1 to the Commander ISAF/Resolute Support; Executive Officer to the Vice Chief of Staff of
2 the Army; Commander of the 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team "Spartans", 10th Mountain
3 Division – deployed in the surge of forces to Kandahar, Afghanistan for Operation Enduring
4 Freedom XII-XIII; 1st Infantry Division G-3; Commander of 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry
5 "Black Lions," 4th IBCT, 1st Infantry Division – deployed to Freedom-V; Aide to the
6 Secretary of the Army; Deputy G-3 and Brigade S-3 in the 101st Airborne Division in
7 support of Operation Iraqi Freedom-I; company commands in the 10th Mountain Division
8 at Fort Drum, New York – where he also deployed as a staff officer in support of Operation
9 Uphold Democracy in Haiti, and a tour with the 3rd Infantry Division, Germany in support
10 of Operation Desert Storm; and

11 WHEREAS, some of Brigadier General Frank's awards include the Legion of Merit,
12 the Bronze Star, the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Ranger Tab, Air Assault and Airborne
13 Wings, and the Expert Infantryman's Badge; and

14 WHEREAS, less than one percent of lieutenants who enter the Army will become
15 a general officer; and

16 WHEREAS, it takes a unique blend of talent, hard work, and leadership to reach this
17 momentous achievement; and

18 WHEREAS, Brigadier General Frank's career has exemplified the term "valor" and
19 he continues to serve his country and exemplifies the "Army Values" on a daily basis.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
21 does hereby commend Brigadier General Patrick Frank for his accomplishments throughout
22 his illustrious military career.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
24 Brigadier General Frank.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by James Benton.

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