

2015 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 77

BY SENATOR PEACOCK

COMMENDATIONS. Commends the 2nd Bomb Wing of Barksdale Air Force Base on being awarded the 2014 Brigadier General Frederick W. Castle Award for best bomber wing in Air Force Global Strike Command.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend and congratulate the 2nd Bomb Wing of Barksdale Air Force Base on being  
3 awarded the 2014 Brigadier General Frederick W. Castle Award for best bomber  
4 wing in Air Force Global Strike Command.

5 WHEREAS, the 2nd Bomb Wing conducts the primary mission of Barksdale Air  
6 Force Base, Louisiana, with three squadrons of B-52H Stratofortress bombers comprised of  
7 the 11th Bomb Squadron, which is the training squadron, the 20th Bomb Squadron and the  
8 96th Bomb Squadron; and

9 WHEREAS, the Brigadier General Frederick W. Castle Award was founded by Air  
10 Force Global Strike Command in 2010 to memorialize General Frederick W. Castle, a Medal  
11 of Honor recipient and also the namesake of a former Strategic Air Command base; and

12 WHEREAS, it is presented to a bomb wing for outstanding mission  
13 accomplishments, meritorious achievement, and quality initiatives and honors the heritage  
14 of courageous airmen and their role in the nuclear mission; and

15 WHEREAS, with the tremendous support of civic partners and collective teamwork,  
16 the 2nd Bomb Wing has been awarded the 2014 Brigadier General Frederick W. Castle  
17 Award for best bomber wing in Air Force Global Strike Command; and

18 WHEREAS, it is the 2nd Bomb Wing's second time earning the award, the first being

1 in 2010; and

2 WHEREAS, between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2014, the 2nd Bomb Wing  
3 innovated processes which earned Air Force and Department of Defense accolades that were  
4 punctuated by the highest possible ratings on multiple major inspections; and

5 WHEREAS, whether it is their role in the Nuclear Enterprise, supporting combatant  
6 commanders, or enhancing the capabilities of their base, the airmen of Barksdale, in  
7 conjunction with community partners, are making a difference every day.

8 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
9 does hereby commend and congratulate the airmen of Barksdale Air Force Base and 2nd  
10 Bomb Wing commanders, General Andrew Gebara and Colonel Kristin Goodwin, for being  
11 awarded the 2014 Brigadier General Frederick W. Castle Award for best bomber wing in Air  
12 Force Global Strike Command and does hereby express enduring appreciation for the pride  
13 they bring to the citizens of the United States and Louisiana.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
15 commanders of the 2nd Bomb Wing.

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

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