

Senate Resolution 580

By: Senators Williams of the 25th, Anderson of the 24th, Watson of the 1st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Air Evac Lifeteam; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Air Evac Lifeteam is the leading air medical service in the United States,
3 conducting its operations through more than 150 mutually supporting air medical bases
4 across 18 states; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Air Evac Lifeteam was established in 1985 by a group of citizens in West
6 Plains, Missouri, with the goal of providing air medical transportation and ensuring access
7 to emergency health care for their remote community in the Missouri Ozark region; and
- 8 WHEREAS, this distinguished company now stands as the preeminent provider of air
9 ambulance services to communities in need of advanced emergency health care and rapid
10 medical transport; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Air Evac Lifeteam operates as part of the Global Medical Response Inc. family
12 of solutions, the industry-leading air, ground, specialty, and residential fire services and
13 managed medical transportation organization; and

14 WHEREAS, through its life-saving work, Air Evac Lifeteam provides increased access to
15 critical emergency trauma care to rural Americans; and

16 WHEREAS, in medical emergencies that threaten life or limb, successful patient recovery
17 depends on how long it takes to deliver that patient to a medical care center, which can
18 potentially be longer for individuals living in rural areas; and

19 WHEREAS, approximately 90 percent of Air Evac Lifeteam's patient transports originate
20 from rural areas as defined by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services; and

21 WHEREAS, by serving rural communities, Air Evac Lifeteam ensures that those who choose
22 a rural way of life enjoy the same emergency care services available to those living in
23 metropolitan areas; and

24 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable company be
25 appropriately honored.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
27 recognize and commend Air Evac Lifeteam for its many outstanding years of life-saving
28 service on behalf of those living in rural areas and extend best wishes for continued growth
29 and success.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
31 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Air Evac
32 Lifeteam.