

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 5

BY REPRESENTATIVE TARVER

COMMENDATIONS: Commends the members of Renegade Troop for their patriotic service

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the members of Renegade Troop for their patriotic service.

3 WHEREAS, after the September 11, 2001, attacks, Renegade Troop left their  
4 families and friends to answer the call to come forth in defense of our nation; the Renegade  
5 Troop members came from all over the country to Fort Johnson in Leesville, Louisiana, to  
6 prepare for engaging the enemy; the troop, comprised of eight UH-60 Lima Blackhawk  
7 helicopters, trained themselves constantly under the mantra "always ready"; Renegade Troop  
8 will reassemble in Lake Charles, Louisiana, in March 2024 to recognize the twentieth  
9 anniversary of their tour; and

10 WHEREAS, Renegade Troop was part of 4th Squadron, 2nd Armored Cavalry  
11 Regiment, which conducted combat operations for sixteen months as part of Operation Iraqi  
12 Freedom; Renegade Troop deployed to Iraq from March 2003 to July 2004; and

13 WHEREAS, Renegade Troop flew from Red Catcher Army Airfield in Baghdad,  
14 Iraq; Blair Army Airfield Field in Al-Kut, Iraq; and in support of the fight to defeat the  
15 Madhi Army led by Moqtada Al-Sadr in An-Najaf, Iraq; and

16 WHEREAS, Renegade Troop flew air movement, internal and external loads, and  
17 commanded and controlled multi-echelon combined arms operations in support of 3rd  
18 Infantry Division, 1st Armored Division, and 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment for a total of  
19 over ten thousand combat flight hours; and

20 WHEREAS, Renegade Troop flew over eight thousand passengers and moved over  
21 one hundred and fifty tons of cargo; and

1           WHEREAS, Renegade Troop flew quick reaction force operations, combat air  
2 missions, and multiple casualty evacuation missions after the bombing of the United Nations  
3 building in Baghdad on August 19, 2003; Renegade Troop also flew a successful combat  
4 search and rescue mission that retrieved two downed pilots after their helicopter crashed in  
5 hostile territory on April 26, 2004; and

6           WHEREAS, this nation owes its existence to those who have been willing to defend  
7 its principles, and the members of Renegade Troop are worthy of highest commendation for  
8 their honorable service and sacrifice.

9           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
10 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the members of Renegade Troop for their  
11 patriotic service.

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