

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Delegates to the 85th American Legion National
2 Convention have chosen John Brieden III of Brenham to serve as the
3 new national commander of the 2.8 million member organization; and

4 WHEREAS, A graduate of Texas A&M University, where he earned
5 a bachelor's degree in business administration, Mr. Brieden
6 belonged to the renowned Corps of Cadets and played in the Fightin'
7 Texas Aggie Band; a Distinguished Military Graduate of the school,
8 he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army following
9 graduation; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Brieden served with distinction as an infantry
11 officer in the army during the Vietnam War; when the army
12 reinstated Ranger battalions, he was selected to serve in the 1st
13 Battalion, 75th Infantry; and

14 WHEREAS, A distinguished member of American Legion Post 48,
15 Mr. Brieden has worked tirelessly in behalf of his fellow
16 servicemen and servicewomen; he has held numerous key American
17 Legion positions at the post, district, state, and national levels,
18 earning the respect and admiration of those who have been
19 privileged to work with him; and

20 WHEREAS, His outstanding tenure of service also includes a
21 gubernatorial appointment to the Texas Veterans Commission, which
22 he served as secretary in 2000 and 2001 and as vice chairman in 2002
23 and 2003; and

24 WHEREAS, A man of great loyalty, vision, and integrity, Mr.

1 Brieden eagerly looks forward to making further significant
2 contributions to the American Legion, and it is a distinct
3 privilege to commend him at this time; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
5 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate John Brieden
6 III on his appointment as national commander of the American Legion
7 and extend to him best wishes for continued success in this
8 important role; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for Mr. Brieden as an expression of high regard by the
11 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 216

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 216 was adopted by the House on
October 2, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House