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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, It is indeed a privilege to welcome home the members
2 of the 136th Airlift Wing and to honor these heroic individuals for
3 their efforts in support of Operation Noble Eagle, Operation
4 Enduring Freedom, and Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

5 WHEREAS, A component of the Texas Air National Guard, the
6 136th Airlift Wing is one of three flying units within the Texas Air
7 National Guard; the unit, which includes some 980 highly trained
8 personnel, joins active duty forces during wartime and serves the
9 State of Texas during peacetime; and

10 WHEREAS, These dedicated men and women have provided vital
11 airlift support to deployed troops in the Persian Gulf region,
12 including airland and airdrop delivery of cargo and personnel to
13 various countries in that region; the wing flies and maintains
14 eight C-130H aircraft, an all-purpose vehicle, cargo, and personnel
15 transport; and

16 WHEREAS, The 136th Airlift Wing recently exceeded 150,000
17 flying hours without a Class A mishap, an achievement that dates
18 back to 1965; despite logging 6,000 flight hours over the past
19 year--double the normal annual number of hours--the unit has flown
20 more than 2,100 sorties without a maintenance cancellation; and

21 WHEREAS, The men and women of our armed forces truly deserve
22 our deepest thanks and gratitude for their role in protecting and
23 preserving the freedoms that we hold dear, and the efforts of the
24 136th Airlift Wing and the Lone Star State's other military units

1 are indeed inspirational; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
3 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend the members of the
4 136th Airlift Wing for their participation in operations Noble
5 Eagle, Enduring Freedom, and Iraqi Freedom and honor them for their
6 continued commitment to protecting the citizens of the United
7 States of America.

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