

## Senate Resolution 201

By: Senators Walker III of the 20th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Dugan of the 30th, Payne of the 54th, Harbin of the 16th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Major General John F. King upon the occasion of his military  
2 retirement; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put  
4 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the  
5 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

6 WHEREAS, Major General John F. King valiantly and courageously served as a guardian  
7 of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Army National Guard from 1982  
8 until his retirement on February 16, 2023; and

9 WHEREAS, throughout his distinguished career, Major General John F. King has  
10 demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and being willing to  
11 sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of others; and

12 WHEREAS, his service in active duty includes commanding Task Force Roughrider in the  
13 Sunni Triangle during Operation Iraqi Freedom and serving as the senior military advisor to  
14 the Afghan deputy minister for security during his deployment in Afghanistan; and

15 WHEREAS, his many outstanding duties and roles culminated in his final assignment to  
16 North American Command and NORAD as special assistant to the commander and liaison  
17 to the chief of the National Guard Bureau; and

18 WHEREAS, Major General John F. King is a highly decorated veteran recipient of numerous  
19 awards and decorations, which include the Combat Action Badge, the Combat Infantry  
20 Badge, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star (2) Award, the Meritorious Service Medal, the  
21 Joint Meritorious Unit Award, and many more; and

22 WHEREAS, only those with great strength, discipline, and a firm resolve achieve positions  
23 of such status, and Major General John F. King has brought great credit to himself, his  
24 family, this state, and this nation through his outstanding performance and dedication; and

25 WHEREAS, his selfless and heroic actions stand as a shining tribute to the strength of human  
26 spirit and willpower, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding  
27 accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished American be appropriately  
28 recognized.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
30 recognize and commend Major General John F. King for his effective, unselfish, and  
31 dedicated public service to the State of Georgia and this nation; congratulate him upon the  
32 grand occasion of his retirement; and extend the most sincere best wishes for continued  
33 health and happiness.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
35 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Major General  
36 John F. King.