

A RESOLUTION honoring and commending the Kentucky National Guard for the dedication and commitment shown through its response to the January 2016 winter storm.

WHEREAS, at the end of January 2016, Governor Bevin declared a State of Emergency in response to a winter storm which impacted much of the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, the Kentucky National Guard was activated to provide 314 man-days in support of January Winter Weather Response and the Kentucky National Guard activated the Joint Operations Center, Health and Welfare teams, and provided Boone National Guard Center Entry Control Point support; and

WHEREAS, the Kentucky National Guard activated 17 wrecker teams and conducted 705 motorist assist missions across the Commonwealth of Kentucky in order to assist the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet in moving stuck vehicles from the interstates and parkways; and

WHEREAS, up to five wrecker teams provided continuous operations along I-75 in the vicinity of London, Kentucky for 30 hours. Operations were also conducted along I-65, the Cumberland Parkway, KY Route 90, KY Route 80, and KY Route 461; and

WHEREAS, the Kentucky National Guard conducted 11 non-emergency medical transport missions in the vicinity of Monticello; and

WHEREAS, at the request of Emergency Management, the State Security Office conducted Incident Awareness and Assessment Imagery Coordination with the Civil Air Patrol for three named areas of interest along I-65, I-75, and the Cumberland Parkway; and

WHEREAS, the Kentucky National Guard plays a major role in both national defense and in supporting disasters here at home;

NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. The House of Representatives does hereby honor and commend the Kentucky National Guard for its valiant efforts in the winter storm relief mission.

➔Section 2. The House of Representatives recognizes that the Kentucky National Guard provides an invaluable service to this Commonwealth and to the United States of America.

➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to send a copy of this Resolution to Major General Stephen R. Hogan, Adjutant General of Kentucky, Office of the Adjutant General, Boone National Guard Center, 100 Minuteman Parkway, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.