

2021 SESSION

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 312

Commending the Virginia National Guard.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 8, 2021

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2020, Virginia voters participated in a free and fair election; and
WHEREAS, in accordance with the Constitution of the United States and confirmed by the other states, courts, and the United States Congress, Joseph R. Biden, Jr., and Kamala D. Harris were certified as the winners of that election nationally and in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2021, an armed insurrection took place at the United States Capitol with the intent of preventing certification of the results and which temporarily disrupted the certification of the election by the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Virginia mobilized the Virginia National Guard to help secure the Capitol and provide security to support the certification of the election and the subsequent peaceful transition of power; and

WHEREAS, with little notice, the members of the Virginia National Guard responded without hesitation to answer the Governor's and the nation's call to deploy to the nation's capital; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Virginia National Guard conducted themselves honorably in response to the insurrection and continued to stand guard in Washington, D.C., to successfully ensure a peaceful transition of power in line with the Constitution of the United States on January 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, as citizen soldiers, members of the Virginia National Guard accomplished their mission while being away from their families and their livelihoods; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Virginia National Guard hereby be commended for its honorable service and courageous defense of the nation's ideals; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Major General Timothy Williams, the Adjutant General of Virginia, on behalf of all members of the Virginia National Guard, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for their honorable service to the nation in response to the insurrection on January 6, 2021.

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