

## ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE

## FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 78**

Introduced by Krist, 10; Cornett, 45; Langemeier, 23; McCoy, 39; McGill, 26; Mello, 5; Price, 3; Smith, 14.

WHEREAS, Brigadier General John N.T. "Jack" Shanahan served as the Commander of the 55th Wing, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska, from April 24, 2009, to March 9, 2011; and

WHEREAS, General Shanahan provided superlative leadership in organizing, training, and equipping six groups and 32 squadrons executing worldwide intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance; electronic attack; command and control; presidential support; and treaty verification missions totaling an unprecedented 1,700 missions around the globe; and

WHEREAS, General Shanahan is also responsible for base support to 90 associate units, including United States Strategic Command, the Air Force Weather Agency, and more than 57,000 active-duty members, civilians, family members, and retirees; and

WHEREAS, General Shanahan's leadership was key to the success of seven uniquely designed RC/OC/WC-135 aircraft, which include the COBRA BALL, COMBAT SENT, OPEN SKIES, and CONSTANT PHOENIX; and

WHEREAS, General Shanahan's vision led to the success of the EC-130H COMPASS CALL and its electronic attack mission, which has flown missions in support of both Iraq and Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, General Shanahan was able to secure the success of the National Airborne Operations Center as it flew more than 2,700 hours with

four aircraft supporting the President of the United States and the Secretary of Defense around the world; and

WHEREAS, General Shanahan distinguished himself by exceptional meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service to the United States as Commander of the 55th Wing, Offutt Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, during General Shanahan's command, his exemplary ability, diligence, and devotion to duty were instrumental factors in the resolution of many complex problems of major importance to the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, the superior initiative, outstanding leadership, and personal endeavor displayed by General Shanahan reflect great credit upon himself and the United State Air Force.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Legislature hereby congratulates and extends its sincere appreciation to Brigadier General John N.T. "Jack" Shanahan and thanks him for his excellent service to our state and nation.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Brigadier General John N.T. "Jack" Shanahan.