



2021 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Commemoration 817

Introduced by: **Senators** Stalzer, Schoenbeck, and V. J. Smith and **Representatives** Goodwin, Finck, and Perry

1 **A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Commending the South Dakota Army National**
 2 **Guard's 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion of Brookings for being**
 3 **awarded the Major General Milton A. Reckord Trophy and General Walter T.**
 4 **Kerwin Jr. Award.**

5 WHEREAS, the National Guard Association of the United States awarded the Major General
 6 Milton A. Reckord Trophy to the 152nd Battalion as the most outstanding Army National Guard
 7 battalion, achieving the highest standards in training and readiness in the nation; and

8 WHEREAS, the Association of the United States Army awarded the General Walter T.
 9 Kerwin Jr. Award to the 152nd Battalion as the most outstanding Army National Guard
 10 battalion in the nation for demonstrated excellence in operational planning, execution of
 11 training, and high-readiness standards; and

12 WHEREAS, this is the second time the 152nd Battalion has received these accolades; and

13 WHEREAS, the selection is based on overall combat readiness and the unit's performance
 14 with respect to all other Army National Guard units. The factors included in the evaluation
 15 and selection are personnel strength, individual and crew-served weapons firing, the Army
 16 Physical Fitness Test, unit manning, skill-level qualifications, retention, drill attendance,
 17 operational readiness inspections, supply operations and management, outstanding
 18 accomplishments, and special missions; and

19 WHEREAS, the 152nd Battalion continues to demonstrate support to its community and
 20 the state:

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Ninety-Sixth Legislature of the State
 22 of South Dakota, that the Legislature expresses its respect, commendation, and
 23 congratulations to the South Dakota Army National Guard 152nd Combat Sustainment

- 1 Support Battalion for earning the Reckord Trophy and Kerwin Award. The 152nd Battalion is
- 2 further recognized for its outstanding service to South Dakota and the United States.