2021 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Commemoration 818

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

1   **A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Commending the South Dakota Air National**
2   **Guard's 114th Fighter Wing of Sioux Falls for being awarded the**
3   **Distinguished Flying Unit Plaque and the United States Air Force Outstanding**
4   **Unit Award.**

5   WHEREAS, the National Guard Association of the United States awarded the Distinguished
6   Flying Unit Plaque to the 114th Fighter Wing as one of the top five most outstanding flying
7   units in the Air National Guard; and

8   WHEREAS, this is the ninth time the 114th Fighter Wing has received this award; and

9   WHEREAS, the United States Air Force and Air National Guard awarded the Outstanding
10   Unit Award to the 114th Fighter Wing for exceptional meritorious service; and

11   WHEREAS, this is the eleventh time the 114th Fighter Wing has received this award; and

12   WHEREAS, the selection for these awards is based on overall combat readiness and the
13   unit's performance with respect to all other Air National Guard flying units. Factors in the
14   evaluation and selection include flying safety, aircraft operations, weapons firing, unit alerts,
15   unit manning, skill-level qualifications, retention, drill attendance, operational readiness
16   inspections, outstanding accomplishments, and special missions; and

17   WHEREAS, the 114th Fighter Wing continues to demonstrate support to its community
18   and the state:

19   NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Ninety-Sixth Legislature of the State
20   of South Dakota, that the Legislature expresses its respect, commendation, and
21   congratulations to the South Dakota Air National Guard's 114th Fighter Wing for earning the
22   Distinguished Flying Unit Plaque and Outstanding Unit Award. The 114th Fighter Wing is
23   further recognized for its outstanding service to South Dakota and the United States.

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