



2022 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Commemoration 804

Introduced by: **Senators** Stalzer, Castleberry, Crabtree, Duvall, Brock Greenfield, Heinert, Nesiba, Schoenbeck, Steinhauer, Symens, Tobin, Wiik, and Zikmund and **Representatives** Willadsen, Anderson, Aylward, Bartels, Barthel, Blare, Duba, Gross, Haugaard, Hoffman, Chris Johnson, Koth, Mulally, Odenbach, Olson, Overweg, Perry, Pischke, Reed, and Wiese

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 this is the tenth time the 114th Fighter Wing has received
 8 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 this is the
 11 twelfth 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-Seventh Legislature of the
 20 State 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.