

House Resolution 167

By: Representatives Birdsong of the 123rd, Skipper of the 137th, Bunn of the 74th, Heckstall of the 55th, Reese of the 85th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Expressing support of the men and women of the Georgia Army National Guard; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, there are approximately 13,000 men and women in the Georgia Army and Air
4 National Guard providing dedicated service to this state and the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on the men and women of the National
6 Guard who regularly augment their active duty counterparts around the world with trained,
7 equipped, and ready forces; and

8 WHEREAS, carrying on this tradition of service, more than 1,200 men and women of the
9 48th Infantry Brigade (Mechanized) of the Georgia Army National Guard will deploy to
10 Bosnia in March, 2001, as part of a Presidential Reserve Call-up in support of the
11 peacekeeping mission in Bosnia; and

12 WHEREAS, Georgia has a valiant history of military participation in both active duty and
13 the National Guard. Georgia National Guardsmen have taken up arms in defense of
14 America's freedoms in every major war and conflict in our nation's history from the
15 American Revolution to the Persian Gulf War; and

16 WHEREAS, living and working in more than 40 communities across our state, the members
17 of the 48th Infantry Brigade contribute everyday to the lives of their families and neighbors,
18 carrying on a variety of roles within their communities in addition to their military service.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the members of this body express their deepest appreciation for and support of the men and
21 women of the Georgia Army National Guard and urge communities, businesses, and
22 employers to honor these courageous Georgians who will put their personal lives on hold to

1 defend our nation's interests and the interests of the Free World in the war-torn country of
2 Bosnia.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
4 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Major General David
5 Poythress, Adjutant General for the Georgia Department of Defense.