

House Resolution 1670

By: Representative Smyre of the 136th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Colonel Willie L. Frazier; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put
3 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the
4 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

5 WHEREAS, Colonel Willie L. Frazier has long been recognized by the citizens of this nation
6 for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the
7 welfare of the citizens of the United States; and

8 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously served his country with honor and
9 distinction as a member of the United States Army since 1975; and

10 WHEREAS, the incredible career of this extraordinary man began when he was
11 commissioned as a Second Lieutenant and a Distinguished Military Graduate through the
12 Cross Enrollment ROTC Program between Claflin College and South Carolina State
13 University, Orangeburg, South Carolina, in May 1975; and

14 WHEREAS, his initial assignment began in January 1979 as Chief of Drug Testing
15 Laboratory, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, where he served for three years. During this period,
16 his laboratory serviced all of the military units throughout the Pacific Theater including
17 Hawaii, Korea, Guam, and Japan; and

18 WHEREAS, in December 1981, Colonel Frazier was reassigned to Eisenhower Army
19 Medical Center, Fort Gordon, Georgia, as a Clinical Laboratory Officer in the Department
20 of Pathology where he served until August 1982; and

21 WHEREAS, Colonel Frazier joined the United States Army Reserves in September 1982 as
22 the Administrative Officer of the 478th Medical Detachment, Augusta, Georgia, where he

1 served until May 1985. He then joined the 382nd Field Hospital, Augusta, Georgia, where
2 he served in various staff positions including Personnel Officer, Patient Administration
3 Officer, and Chief of Staff; and

4 WHEREAS, in January 1991, Colonel Frazier deployed to Saudi Arabia with the 382nd Field
5 Hospital in support of Desert Shield/Desert Storm as the Patient Administration Officer; and

6 WHEREAS, in April 1994, Colonel Frazier joined the 3297th U.S.A. Hospital, Augusta,
7 Georgia, as the Operations Officer until September 1997. From October 1997 until
8 December 1998, he served as Operations Officer, 3rd Headquarters Brigade, Augusta,
9 Georgia; and

10 WHEREAS, Colonel Frazier was detailed to serve as Acting Commander, 1207th U.S.A.H.,
11 Fort Benning, Georgia, from January 1999 to May 1999. Prior to his selection as
12 Commander of the 642d Area Support Group on 21 August 1999, Colonel Frazier served as
13 Special Staff Officer, 3d Headquarters Brigade, Augusta, Georgia; and

14 WHEREAS, the fortitude, bravery, and courage of this soldier simply defies description, but
15 has been recognized with his receipt of numerous awards including the Meritorious Service
16 Medal (3rd OLC), Army Commendation Medal (2OLC), Army Achievement Medal,
17 Southwest Asia Service Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia),
18 Kuwait Liberation Medal (Government of Kuwait), and Ranger Tab; and

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20 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
21 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of his
22 nation have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

23 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
24 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

25 WHEREAS, his selfless and heroic actions stand as a shining tribute to the strength of human
26 spirit and willpower, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding
27 accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished American be recognized
28 appropriately.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body commend Colonel Willie L. Frazier for his efficient, effective,

1 unselfish, and dedicated public service to the citizens of his country and state and extend to
2 him their most profound and sincere appreciation for all members of the United States
3 military who stand ever ready to lay the ultimate sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Colonel Willie L. Frazier
6 and to the 642d Area Support Group.