

## House Resolution 87

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Encouraging the young people of Georgia to join the Georgia National Guard; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, since its inception in 1773, the Georgia militia, now the Georgia National  
4 Guard, has had a significant role in the defense of the colony, state, and nation; and

5 WHEREAS, throughout history, Americans have been called upon to defend our nation's  
6 liberties and freedoms, and the men and women of the Georgia National Guard have served  
7 with dedication and valor to defend this nation and secure the freedoms we hold dear today;  
8 and

9 WHEREAS, the members of the Georgia National Guard have been ready when our fellow  
10 Georgians needed assistance during hurricanes, tornadoes, and floods; and

11 WHEREAS, the members of the Georgia National Guard have performed critical relief  
12 missions in war-torn Bosnia, airlifted supplies to Central America when it was ravaged by  
13 hurricanes, and been deployed around the globe in missions that strengthened the security  
14 of our nation; and

15 WHEREAS, the Georgia National Guard extends a helping hand to local communities  
16 through programs like the Youth Challenge Academy, which provides a second chance to  
17 many young Georgians; the Counter-drug and Drug Demand Reduction Program, which  
18 continuously fights America's "War on Drugs"; and civic action programs that place Georgia  
19 National Guard resources and know-how at the disposal of local communities; and

20 WHEREAS, the future of the Georgia National Guard rests upon Georgians who embody the  
21 values of "Integrity First, Service Before Self, and Excellence In All We Do"; and

22 WHEREAS, the Georgia National Guard remains a professional, prepared, and highly  
23 trained organization, tested by crises, and more than able to respond at home or abroad; and

1 WHEREAS, the Georgia National Guard offers outstanding opportunities for education in  
2 numerous specialties and provides scholarships which enable its members to earn college  
3 degrees.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
5 the members of this body encourage the young people of Georgia to enlist in the Georgia  
6 National Guard.