

House Resolution 1435

By: Representatives Talton of the 145th, O`Neal of the 146th, Floyd of the 147th, Sellier of the 136th, and Lunsford of the 110th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the 116th Air Control Wing of the Georgia Air National Guard; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the members of the 116th Air Control Wing of the Georgia National Guard
4 distinguished itself by exceptionally meritorious service from June 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, during this period of time, the 116th Air Control Wing accomplished its mission
7 by maximizing every opportunity and sustaining an unwavering focus on the war effort and
8 unit combat effectiveness; and

9 WHEREAS, the men and women of the 116th Air Control Wing understood their distinctive
10 mission, utilizing professionalism, knowledge, and technical expertise to directly contribute
11 to the fulfillment of national objectives; and

12 WHEREAS, as a Total Force wing, this extraordinary mix of active duty and guard personnel
13 continue to accrue unprecedented accolades while securing Department of Defense strategic
14 and tactical objectives; and

15 WHEREAS, in one year, the 116th Air Control Wing generated 9,575 combat hours which
16 provided command and control, intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance to ground
17 forces over Iraq and Afghanistan; and

18 WHEREAS, Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System aircraft and crews assisted in
19 multiple raids in Baghdad, supporting the 101st Cavalry's largest air assault since Vietnam,
20 allowing them to destroy enemy mortar encampments; and

1 WHEREAS, during Operation Varsity March, surveillance resulted in the capture of the
2 number one and number four high value individuals on the "Anti-Iraq Forces Most Wanted
3 List"; and

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

7 WHEREAS, the distinctive accomplishments of the members of the 116th Air Control Wing
8 reflect credit upon themselves, the Air National Guard, and the United States Air Force, and
9 it is only fitting this body recognize the 116th Air Control Wing.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
11 the members of this body commend the 116th Air Control Wing of the Georgia Air National
12 Guard for its efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service to the citizens of this
13 country and state; and extend their most profound and sincere appreciation to them and all
14 members of the United States military who stand ever ready to lay the ultimate sacrifice upon
15 the altar of freedom.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
17 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the 116th Air Control Wing
18 of the Georgia Air National Guard.