

House Resolution 1951

By: Representatives Cheokas of the 134th, Collins of the 27th, Meadows of the 5th, Willard of the 49th, Hanner of the 148th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the 194th Armored Brigade; 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, the 194th Armored Brigade recently completed its move from Fort Knox,
6 Kentucky, to Fort Benning, Georgia, as part of the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC)
7 program; and

8 WHEREAS, the mission of the 194th Armored Brigade is to transform volunteers into
9 disciplined, fit, and competent scouts, tankers, and mechanics ready to contribute as a
10 member of a team that will fight and win the nation's wars; and

11 WHEREAS, there are 580 assigned soldiers that annually train over 7,000 new soldiers to
12 be tankers, scouts, Abrams Tank mechanics, and Bradley Fighting Vehicle mechanics; and

13 WHEREAS, the 194th Armored Brigade is the only unit in the Active Army that trains initial
14 entry tankers, scouts, and Bradley and Abrams mechanics; and

15 WHEREAS, many of the graduating soldiers from the 194th Armored Brigade will report
16 straight to units that will deploy to Afghanistan within months for continued combat actions;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, the selfless and heroic actions of the 194th Armored Brigade and its trainees
19 stand as a shining tribute to the strength of the human spirit, and it is abundantly fitting and
20 proper that the outstanding accomplishments of these remarkable and distinguished
21 Georgians be appropriately recognized.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body commend the 194th Armored Brigade for their strength, leadership,
24 and courage in their willingness to find meaning in something greater than themselves.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representative is authorized
26 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Colonel Kevin MacWatters,
27 Command Sergeant Major James Daniels, Major Deric Hawkins, Captain Steven Morelli,
28 Sergeant First Class Michelle Garner, Sergeant Antonio Kyler, Staff Sergeant Michelle
29 Schrader, and Specialist Lincoln Campbell.