

Senate Resolution 864

By: Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Wicks of the 34th, Harbison of the 15th, Sims of the 12th, Davenport of the 17th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Sergeant First Class (Ret.) Yvonne Barrett; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class (Ret.) Yvonne Barrett, a native of Waukegan, Illinois, was
4 born to the late William F. Barrett Sr. and Sarah J. Barrett, whose enduring influence instilled
5 in her the principles of integrity, perseverance, and service that would define her remarkable
6 life and career; and

7 WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class (Ret.) Yvonne Barrett honorably served the United States
8 Army from 1989 to 2018, completing 29 years of faithful and distinguished service marked
9 by courage, discipline, and unwavering patriotism; and

10 WHEREAS, throughout her remarkable military career, Sergeant First Class Barrett held
11 critical leadership roles, including Government Purchase Card Holder, Property Book
12 Officer, Training Noncommissioned Officer, Brigade Food Service Noncommissioned
13 Officer, and Arms Room Noncommissioned Officer, ensuring operational readiness and the
14 responsible stewardship of vital resources; and

15 WHEREAS, her exceptional leadership in logistics, training, and organizational management
16 directly contributed to mission success while strengthening the effectiveness and
17 preparedness of the soldiers and units entrusted to her care; and

18 WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class Barrett demonstrated an enduring commitment to the
19 welfare and professional growth of fellow service members through her service as an Equal
20 Opportunity Representative, Unit Prevention Leader, Retention Noncommissioned Officer,
21 and Safety Noncommissioned Officer, fostering a culture grounded in respect, resilience, and
22 excellence; and

23 WHEREAS, she exemplified the highest traditions of military service and embodied the core
24 Army values of loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity, and personal courage,
25 leaving a lasting legacy of leadership for future generations of soldiers; and

26 WHEREAS, continuing her lifelong devotion to service beyond the uniform, Sergeant First
27 Class Barrett has distinguished herself through humanitarian efforts that have uplifted
28 communities and transformed lives; and

29 WHEREAS, her extraordinary dedication to helping others has been recognized with an
30 Honorary Doctorate in Humanitarianism and the esteemed Presidential Lifetime
31 Achievement Award, honors that reflect a lifetime defined by compassion, service, and
32 leadership; and

33 WHEREAS, her legacy will continue to inspire all who wear the uniform and all who
34 dedicate their lives to service above self.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
36 recognize and commend Sergeant First Class (Ret.) Yvonne Barrett for her extraordinary
37 service to the United States of America, her steadfast leadership, and her continued
38 commitment to improving the lives of others.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
40 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Sergeant First
41 Class (Ret.) Yvonne Barrett.