

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JUNE 6,
2011

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the promotion of Pennsylvania native Major General
2 Rhett A. Hernandez to the rank of lieutenant general in the
3 United States Army.

4 WHEREAS, By vote of the United States Senate, the
5 Presidential nomination of Pennsylvania native Major General
6 Rhett A. Hernandez to the rank of lieutenant general was
7 confirmed on March 2, 2011; and

8 WHEREAS, At a promotion ceremony on March 25, 2011, at Fort
9 Belvoir, VA, Lt. Gen. Hernandez received his third star from his
10 wife, Pat, and Gen. James D. Thurman, commanding general, United
11 States Forces Command; and

12 WHEREAS, Less than 10% of major generals in the United States
13 Army are promoted to lieutenant general; and

14 WHEREAS, Lt. Gen. Hernandez, a native of Palmerton, graduated

1 from the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY, on
2 June 2, 1976, and has served in numerous commands during his 34
3 years of service; and

4 WHEREAS, Lt. Gen. Hernandez assumed command of the United
5 States Army Cyber Command last October 1 and previously
6 commanded the 3rd Battalion, 16th Field Artillery and the
7 Division Artillery, 4th Infantry Division located at Fort Hood,
8 TX, was assistant division commander, 1st Armored Division,
9 United States Army Europe and 7th Army, Operation Iraqi Freedom
10 and was commanding general of the United States Army Human
11 Resources Command, Alexandria, VA, where he also served as a
12 strategic planner with the Office of Personnel Management System
13 Task Force; and

14 WHEREAS, Lt. Gen. Hernandez was Chief of Operations Division
15 for the Joint Staff in Washington DC and the director of the
16 Office of Personnel Management Directorate and the Chief of the
17 United States Military Training Mission in Saudi Arabia; and

18 WHEREAS, Lt. Gen. Hernandez's decorations include the Army
19 Distinguished Service Medal with one Oak Leaf, Defense Superior
20 Service Medal with one Oak Leaf, Legion of Merit with one Oak
21 Leaf, Bronze Star Medal meritorious, Service Medal with four Oak
22 Leaves, Army Commendation Medal with four Oak Leaves, Army
23 Achievement Medal with one Oak Leaf, Combat Action Badge, Joint
24 Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge and Army Staff
25 Identification Badge, exemplifying a career of outstanding
26 service to our nation and thereby bestowing honor on this
27 Commonwealth; therefore be it

28 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the
29 promotion of Pennsylvania native Major General Rhett A.
30 Hernandez to the rank of lieutenant general in the United States

1 Army.