## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 156

Session of 2007

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the accomplishments of Lieutenant General James Gavin
- and urging the Chief of Staff of the United States Army to
- 3 recognize the right of Airborne soldiers to wear jump boots
- 4 and blouse their trousers.
- 5 WHEREAS, Lieutenant General James Gavin was raised in Mount
- 6 Carmel, Pennsylvania; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Lieutenant General Gavin had an illustrious military
- 8 career, developing the tactics and basic rules of Airborne
- 9 combat and receiving many awards, including the Distinguished
- 10 Service Cross with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Distinguished Service
- 11 Medal, the Silver Star Medal and the Purple Heart, as well as
- 12 the British Distinguished Service Order; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Paratroopers have always been elite soldiers, worthy
- 14 of a distinctive uniform and appearance; and
- 15 WHEREAS, The ability of members of the 82nd Airborne

- 1 Division, the 75th Ranger Regiment, Special Forces groups and
- 2 all other soldiers assigned to units on Airborne status to wear
- 3 jump boots and blouse their trousers while in Class A uniform or
- 4 its equivalent is in jeopardy; therefore be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the
- 6 accomplishments of Lieutenant General James Gavin and urge the
- 7 Chief of Staff of the United States Army to recognize the right
- 8 of Airborne soldiers to wear jump boots and blouse their
- 9 trousers; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
- 11 the Chief of Staff of the United States Army.