

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 92

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER

COMMENDATIONS: Commends Russell Cummings, III, on his promotion from lieutenant colonel to colonel in the U.S. Army

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Russell Cummings, III, on his promotion from lieutenant colonel to colonel
3 in the U.S. Army.

4 WHEREAS, Russell Cummings, III, was born to Russell and Melissa McKeithen
5 Cummings of Columbia, Louisiana; he is the grandson of former Governor John McKeithen;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Colonel (COL) Cummings was commissioned in field artillery from
8 Louisiana State University in December 2002; his operational assignments include 1-502nd
9 Parachute Infantry Regiment and 1-320th Glider Artillery Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat
10 Team, 101st Airborne Division (AASLT) in Fort Campbell, Kentucky; 1-28 Infantry
11 Battalion, 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division in Fort Riley, Kansas;
12 Defense Fellow in the United States Senate in Washington, D.C.; NATO Allied Land
13 Command in Izmir, Turkey; Field Artillery Squadron, 3d Cavalry Regiment and 1st Cavalry
14 Division Artillery in Fort Cavazos, Texas; Special Operations Command Africa in Stuttgart,
15 Germany; 2-17 Field Artillery Battalion, 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team at Joint Base
16 Lewis-McChord, Washington; and Operations Group, Joint Readiness Training Center at
17 Fort Johnson, Louisiana; and

18 WHEREAS, COL Cummings served three tours in Iraq with the 101st and 1st
19 Infantry Divisions from 2003 to 2004, 2005 to 2006, and 2009 to 2010; he also served with
20 the 2nd Infantry Division of Korea Rotational Force 12 in 2021; and

1 WHEREAS, COL Cummings has received numerous military honors for his
2 inspiring service; he received a Bronze Star Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Defense
3 Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Meritorious Service Medal with
4 two oak leaf clusters, the Iraq Campaign Medal with two campaign stars, the Global War on
5 Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the
6 Meritorious Unit Commendation with one oak leaf cluster, the Joint Meritorious Unit
7 Award, the Army Superior Unit Award, the Combat Action Badge, the Expert Infantryman
8 Badge, the Parachutists Badge, and the Air Assault Badge; and

9 WHEREAS, COL Cummings is a legionnaire in the Order of Saint Maurice, holds
10 a Bronze Medallion in the Order of Saint George, and is a member of the Field Artillery
11 Association's Honorable Order of Saint Barbara; he holds master's degrees from both the
12 University of Louisiana and George Washington University; and

13 WHEREAS, COL Cummings is married to the former Erin Myers of Morgan City,
14 Louisiana; they have two daughters, Sophie Grace and Julia Katherine; and

15 WHEREAS, Colonel Russell Cummings, III, is a genuine American hero who is
16 most deserving of the highest recognition for his truly inspiring service.

17 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
18 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Russell Cummings, III, on his promotion
19 from lieutenant colonel to colonel in the U.S. Army and does hereby extend enduring
20 appreciation to COL Cummings for his steadfast dedication to safeguarding the freedoms
21 we enjoy as citizens of the United States of America.

DIGEST

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Riser

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