

2021 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7

BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Sergeant Major Anazia M. Andrus-Sam on 31 years of active federal service in the United States Army and the United States Army Reserve.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend Sergeant Major Anazia M. Andrus-Sam on thirty-one years of outstanding and
3 selfless service to her country in the United States Army and the United States Army
4 Reserve.

5 WHEREAS, Sergeant Major Andrus-Sam was born in Lafayette, Louisiana, on
6 September 15, 1969, and she graduated from Northside High School in Lafayette in
7 May 1987; and

8 WHEREAS, on January 18, 1989, Anazia M. Andrus-Sam enlisted in the United
9 States Army and attended Basic Combat Training at Fort Dix, New Jersey, and in March
10 1989, she began her training at the Quartermaster School in Fort Lee, Virginia, where she
11 received a certification in Petroleum Operations before returning to Fort Dix, New Jersey,
12 to complete a course in Driver Training and Vehicle Maintenance in July 1989; and

13 WHEREAS, SGM Andrus-Sam's first nontraining assignment was as a petroleum
14 handler with the 305th Supply & Service Company in South Korea where she spent a year
15 from August 1989 through August 1990, when she returned stateside and was assigned to
16 Fort Collins, Colorado, where she continued her duties as a fuel handler; and

17 WHEREAS, through these multiple assignments, Anazia Andrus-Sam was promoted
18 several times, including achieving the rank of Sergeant (SGT) in August 1994, Staff

1 Sergeant (SSG) in the U.S. Army Reserve in August 1998, Sergeant First Class (SFC) in
2 October 2001, all on active duty status, Master Sergeant (MSG) in May 2008, and her final
3 rank of Sergeant Major (SGM) was achieved on June 1, 2017, all in the United States Army
4 Reserves; and

5 WHEREAS, through her numerous assignments in service of her country, Anazia
6 Andrus-Sam has earned and been awarded numerous medals and awards for her meritorious
7 service, including the following: Meritorious Service Medal with One Bronze Oak Leaf
8 Cluster, Army Commendation Medal with One Silver and Two Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster,
9 Army Achievement Medal with One Silver Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Good Conduct Medal
10 with One Silver and Three Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, National Defense Service Medal with
11 Bronze Star Device, Humanitarian Award, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism
12 Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve
13 Medal with Hourglass and "M" Device, Noncommissioned Officer's Professional
14 Development Ribbon (5), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (3), Air Assault
15 Badge, and the Drivers Badge; and

16 WHEREAS, transitioning to service in the United States Army Reserve (USAR) in
17 June 1999, SSG Andrus-Sam was assigned as a petroleum handler at Fort Campbell,
18 Kentucky, on nonactive status; and

19 WHEREAS, in November 1999, SSG Andrus-Sam took an active duty USAR
20 assignment to the 465th Quartermaster Company Training command as a training NCO at
21 the facility in Jasper, Alabama, where she was assigned until September 2007; and

22 WHEREAS, from September 2007 through October 2008, Anazia Andrus-Sam was
23 assigned to the First Battalion, 378th Regimental Brigade in Lafayette, Louisiana, as an
24 Operations Noncommissioned Officer (NCO); and

25 WHEREAS, following the assignment in Lafayette, MSG Andrus-Sam served with
26 the 75th Training Command as Operations NCO and in May 2010, she was named Assistant
27 Inspector General of that command; and

28 WHEREAS, from March 2013 through June 2015, MSG Andrus-Sam served as
29 Operations NCO at the 359th Transportation Battalion at Fort Eustis, Virginia; and

30 WHEREAS, in July 2015, SGM Anazia Andrus-Sam was chosen to attend the U.S.

