SHORT TITLE: Honoring Lieutenant General LaVern Weber (Retired).

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 44th Legislature (1993)

SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 9

By: Wright and Hobson
of the Senate

and

Hefner of the House

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution honoring Lieutenant General LaVern E. Weber and thanking him for a lifetime of dedicated military service to his state and nation; extending best wishes upon his retirement as Executive Director of the National Guard Association; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Lieutenant General LaVern E. Weber (Retired) of Lone Wolf, Oklahoma, was born and grew up in the State of Oklahoma, enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1942, served during World War II, and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in 1945; and

WHEREAS, General Weber joined the Oklahoma National Guard in 1948 and was called to active duty with Oklahoma's famed 45th "Thunderbird" Infantry Division where he served as a battalion operations and training officer in Korea; and

WHEREAS, in 1965, General Weber was appointed as Adjutant General of the Oklahoma National Guard and later promoted to the rank of Major General. In that position he played an increasing role in National Guard affairs at the national level, serving in various positions in the National Guard Association of the United States from 1965 until 1971; and

WHEREAS, in 1971, General Weber was named by the President of the United States to be the Director of the Army National Guard in the National Guard Bureau. In 1974, General Weber was appointed

Chief of the National Guard Bureau and reappointed in 1978 for an additional four-year term. In 1979, he became the first National Guard officer to be promoted to the three-star rank of Lieutenant General while serving as Chief of the National Guard Bureau; and

WHEREAS, General Weber was reassigned as the Deputy Commanding General for Mobilization at Headquarters, U.S. Forces Command, after completing his tour at the National Guard Bureau. In 1982 he was presented the Selective Service System Exceptional Service Award, the highest bestowed by the Selective Service, which was presented in recognition of General Weber's distinguished service and support. In 1984 he retired after 42 years of military service; and

WHEREAS, after his retirement from the military, General Weber began working as the Executive Director of the National Guard Association and served in that position for over eight years. He officially retired from that position on February 1, 1993; and

WHEREAS, David Walters, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, in an executive proclamation, proclaimed February 1, 1993, as "Lieutenant General LaVern Weber Day" in the State of Oklahoma.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 44TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature honors General LaVern E. Weber and thanks him for a lifetime of dedicated military service to both his state and nation.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature extends best wishes to General LaVern E. Weber upon his retirement as Executive Director of the National Guard Association.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to General LaVern E. Weber, the Adjutant General of the Oklahoma National Guard and the Chief of the National Guard Bureau.

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