

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)

4 HOUSE
5 RESOLUTION 1008

By: Ford

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8 AS INTRODUCED

9 A Resolution congratulating Tinker Air Force Base on
10 75 years of distinguished service; commending and
11 expressing gratitude to Lieutenant General Levy for
12 his extraordinary service to our country; directing
13 distribution.

14 WHEREAS, on April 8, 1941, it was announced Oklahoma City would
15 be the site of a new air materiel depot and on May 21 was designated
16 "Midwest Air Depot, Oklahoma City"; and

17 WHEREAS, on March 1, 1942, the base was officially activated and
18 received a new name: Oklahoma City Air Depot; and

19 WHEREAS, in 1942 the War Department named the depot installation
20 Tinker Field in memory of Oklahoma native, Maj. Gen. Clarence L.
21 Tinker; and

22 WHEREAS, the Air Force Sustainment Center is headquartered at
23 Tinker Air Force Base and generates millions of dollars in contracts
24 with Oklahoma small businesses. It is the supply chain for all

1 parts and equipment for the Air Force, supporting 5,000 aircraft,
2 14,000 engines, helicopters, missiles, support equipment and 65
3 foreign militaries; and

4 WHEREAS, Tinker Air Force Base is home to the 507th Air Reserve
5 Wing, the 552nd Air Control Wing, and the United States Navy
6 Strategic Communications Wing One; and

7 WHEREAS, Tinker Air Force Base is an economic "engine" for the
8 State of Oklahoma and is the largest single-site employer in the
9 state with an annual economic impact of \$3.7 billion; and

10 WHEREAS, the calendar year of 2017 serves as the Diamond
11 Anniversary of Tinker Air Force Base with 75 years of distinguished
12 service in defending the United States of America; and

13 WHEREAS, Lieutenant General Lee K. Levy, II is the Commander of
14 the Air Force Sustainment Center (AFSC), Air Force Materiel Command
15 at Tinker Air Force Base; and

16 WHEREAS, General Levy was born in New Orleans, Louisiana, and
17 entered the Air Force in 1985 as a Louisiana State University ROTC
18 graduate; and

19 WHEREAS, General Levy has had numerous operational, command and
20 staff assignments leading logistics, civil engineering and nuclear
21 operations and most recently served as Vice Director for Logistics,
22 the Joint Staff, Washington, D.C.; and

23 WHEREAS, as his current position as AFSC Commander, General Levy
24 ensures the Center provides operational planning and execution for

1 the Air Force supply chain management and depot maintenance for a
2 wide range of aircraft, engines, missiles and component items in
3 support of United States Air Force missions; and

4 WHEREAS, General Levy is responsible for operations which span
5 three air logistics complexes, three air base wings, two supply
6 chain wings and multiple remote operating locations, incorporating
7 more than 35,000 military and civilian personnel. In addition, he
8 oversees installation support to more than 75,000 personnel working
9 in 140 associate units at the three AFSC bases.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
11 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

12 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives does hereby
13 congratulate Tinker Air Force Base on its Diamond Anniversary of 75
14 years of distinguished service in defending the United States of
15 America.

16 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives commends and
17 expresses its gratitude to General Levy for his extraordinary
18 service to our country and welcomes him to the House of
19 Representatives.

20 THAT a copy of this Resolution be distributed to Lieutenant
21 General Lee K. Levy, II.

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23 DIRECT TO CALENDAR.
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