

By: Representative Carlton

To: Rules

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 69

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE OUTSTANDING AND EXEMPLARY  
2 MILITARY SERVICE OF COLONEL KENNETH EUGENE WINDHAM UPON THE  
3 OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE.

4 WHEREAS, Colonel Kenneth Eugene Windham, currently the Deputy  
5 Commander of 3rd Personnel Command (3d PERSCOM), is commended for  
6 exceptional service spanning more than 40 years with the United  
7 States Army Reserve, first as an enlisted soldier and later as a  
8 commissioned officer; and

9 WHEREAS, enlisting in the United States Army in February  
10 1966, Colonel Windham attended basic training at Fort Dix, New  
11 Jersey, and was assigned to the 402nd Quartermaster Battalion,  
12 Jackson, Mississippi; and

13 WHEREAS, rising to the rank of First Sergeant and serving as  
14 First Sergeant for six years prior to receiving a direct  
15 commission in 1981 as a First Lieutenant, Colonel Windham held  
16 numerous key leadership positions in the 365th Supply and Services  
17 Battalion; and

18 WHEREAS, in 1990, Colonel Windham was transferred to the 40th  
19 Ordnance Group, where he served as the logistics officer (S-4)  
20 before being chosen as the S-4 for the newly activated 3d PERSCOM  
21 and later as Chief of Staff; and

22 WHEREAS, advancing himself in the knowledge of personnel  
23 operation management and continuing to rise through the ranks,  
24 Colonel Windham was mobilized and deployed in January 2003 into  
25 the United States Central Command AOR as Officer in Charge, 3d  
26 PERSCOM (Forward) at Camp Doha, Kuwait, where he performed a  
27 myriad of tasks and responsibilities; and

28           WHEREAS, given his final assignment to serve as Deputy  
29 Commander of the 3d PERSCOM from May 2004 to June 2006, Colonel  
30 Windham has proven himself to be a truly effective leader and  
31 top-notch performer and has earned the admiration of his peers,  
32 subordinates and superiors; and

33           WHEREAS, Colonel Windham's performance has served as an  
34 example for soldiers at all levels, and he has provided sincere,  
35 dedicated and professional leadership to all who knew him, as his  
36 integrity, self dedication and commitment is evidenced by his  
37 exhaustive list of decorations and badges, including: Bronze  
38 Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army  
39 Reserve Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Armed  
40 Forces Reserve Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, Global War on  
41 Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Non-Commissioned Officer  
42 Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon and the  
43 Reserve Overseas Service Ribbon; and

44           WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to  
45 recognize and commend excellence in our citizens who are soldiers  
46 serving and protecting the freedom of this state and nation:

47           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
48 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
49 commend the outstanding contributions and exemplary military  
50 service of Colonel Kenneth E. Windham upon the occasion of his  
51 retirement from the United States Army Reserve and express our  
52 most sincere wishes for continued success in all his future  
53 endeavors.

54           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
55 furnished to Colonel Windham and to the members of the Capitol  
56 Press Corps.