



HR0568

LRB099 12646 MST 36303 r

1

HOUSE RESOLUTION

2

WHEREAS, Brigadier General Richard J. Hayes, Jr. of Chatham has been appointed by Governor Bruce Rauner to the distinguished position of Adjutant General of the Illinois National Guard; and

3

4

WHEREAS, General Hayes was commissioned in 1987 from the Reserve Officer Training Corps program at the University of Kansas as a field artillery officer; he has served nearly 25 years with the Illinois National Guard; and

5

6

7

WHEREAS, General Hayes held several previous positions in the Illinois National Guard, including battery commander with Battery C, 2nd Battalion, 122nd Field Artillery in Chicago; commander of 2nd Battalion, 122nd Field Artillery, also in Chicago; commander of Task Force 122 in New Orleans, Louisiana, during Hurricane Katrina and Rita Relief Operations; assistant chief of staff G3 for the 35th Infantry Division; deputy commander of Task Force Falcon in Kosovo, Serbia; director of operations J3 for Joint Force Headquarters in Springfield; and commander of the 129th Regiment (Regional Training Institute) also in Springfield; and

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

WHEREAS, General Hayes' professional military education includes the Field Artillery Officer Basic and Advanced

19

20

21

22

1 Courses, Command and General Staff College, U.S. Army War  
2 College, the Joint Task Force Commander Training Course, and  
3 the Contingency Dual Status Commander Qualification Program;  
4 he holds a bachelor's degree in geography from the University  
5 of Kansas, a master's degree in business administration from  
6 Touro University International, and a master's degree in  
7 strategic studies from the U.S. Army War College; additionally,  
8 General Hayes spent 27 years working in engineering and  
9 construction, including as CEO of a civil construction firm  
10 based in Addison; and

11 WHEREAS, General Hayes' military awards and decorations  
12 include the Legion of Merit (1 Oak Leaf Cluster), the  
13 Meritorious Service Medal (2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters), the  
14 Army Commendation Medal (1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and 1 Bronze  
15 Oak Leaf Cluster), the Army Achievement Medal, the Army Reserve  
16 Component Achievement Medal (1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster), the  
17 National Defense Service Medal (1 Bronze Service Star), the  
18 Humanitarian Service Medal (1 Bronze Service Star), the Kosovo  
19 Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the  
20 Armed Forces Reserve Medal ("M" device and Silver Hour Glass),  
21 the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the Army  
22 Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon, and the  
23 Non-Article 5 NATO Medal; therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

1 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
2 greatly thank Brigadier General Richard J. Hayes, Jr. for his  
3 years of skillful service to the State of Illinois,  
4 congratulate him on his appointment as Adjutant General, and  
5 wish him tremendous success in his present duty to the State  
6 and the nation; and be it further

7       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 presented to Brigadier General Richard J. Hayes, Jr. as an  
9 expression of our esteem and respect.