

SENATE COMMEMORATION NO. 16

Introduced by: Senators Peters, Buhl O'Donnell, Haverly, Heineman (Phyllis), Omdahl, Parsley, Tidemann, Van Gerpen, and White and Representatives Anderson, Bordeaux, Cronin, Dryden, Hunhoff (Jean), Jensen (Alex), Ring, and Romkema

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Commending the South Dakota Air National Guard's 114th Fighter Wing on being awarded the General Carl A. Spaatz Trophy.

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Air National Guard's 114th Fighter Wing was presented the Spaatz Trophy at the 2014 National Guard Association of the United States conference on August 25, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Spaatz Trophy is presented to the most outstanding flying unit in the Air National Guard each year; and

WHEREAS, this is the fourth time the 114th Fighter Wing has won the prestigious award; and

WHEREAS, the selection is based on overall combat readiness and the unit's performance with respect to all other Air National Guard flying units with flying safety, aircraft operation readiness, weapons firing, unit alerts, unit manning, skill level qualifications, retention, drill attendance, operational readiness inspections, outstanding accomplishments, and special missions all being factors in the evaluation and selection; and

WHEREAS, the 114th Fighter Wing continues to demonstrate continued support to their community and the State of South Dakota:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Ninetieth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that the South Dakota Legislature expresses its respect, commendation, and congratulations to the South Dakota Air National Guard 114th Fighter Wing for its selection as the winner of the Spaatz Trophy for training year 2013 and recognizes the 114th Fighter Wing for their



outstanding service to the great State of South Dakota and the United States of America.