

State of New York Legislative Resolution



Senate No. 2911

BY: Senator Ritchie

HONORING Major General Mark A. Milley upon the occasion of his appointment as Commander of the 10th Mountain Division on November 4, 2011

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of esteemed residents of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Individuals who dedicate their lives to military service merit the commendation and applause of all citizens for their commitment to the preservation of American freedom; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Major General Mark A. Milley upon the occasion of his appointment as Commander of the 10th Mountain Division on November 4, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Most recently the Deputy Director for Operations for the Joint Staff in Washington, D.C., Major General Mark A. Milley led the 10th Mountain Division's 2nd Brigade Combat Team to Afghanistan in 2003, and to Iraq in 2004; and

WHEREAS, Commissioned through ROTC, Major General Mark A. Milley graduated in 1980 from Princeton University with a bachelor's degree in political science; his education also includes master's degrees from Columbia University's international relations program, and from the United States Naval War College's national security and strategic studies curriculum; in addition, he is a graduate of the MIT seminar XXI national security studies program; and

WHEREAS, Major General Mark A. Milley's awards and decorations include the following: the Defense Superior Service Medal (2OLC), the Legion of Merit (2OLC), the Bronze Star Medal (3OLC), the Meritorious Service Medal (5OLC), the Army Commendation Medal (4OLC), the Army Achievement Medal (1OLC), the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, the Meritorious Unit Commendation, the National Defense Service Medal (1 Bronze Star), the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (2 Bronze Stars), the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Korean Service Defense Medal, the Humanitarian Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon (4), the NATO Service Medal, the Multinational Force and the Observers Medal; and

WHEREAS, Major General Mark A. Milley is authorized to wear the Combat Infantryman Badge (with star), the Expert Infantryman Badge, the Master Parachutist Badge, the Scuba Diver Badge, the Ranger Tab, the Special Forces Tab, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge; and

WHEREAS, The dedication and sacrifices of our military personnel ensure our continued role as a Nation which embodies the ideals of democracy, and is a defender of liberty for peoples throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Members of the Armed Services from the State of New York, who have served so faithfully and courageously in wars in which our Nation's freedom was at stake, as well as in the preservation of peace during peacetime, deserve a special salute from this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Major General Mark A. Milley upon the occasion of his appointment as Commander of the 10th Mountain Division on November 4, 2011; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Major General Mark A. Milley.

ADOPTED IN SENATE ON
January 19, 2012

By Order of the Senate
Francis W. Patience
Francis W. Patience, Secretary

