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## SENATE RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE THE ARKANSAS COUNCIL FOR MILITARY CHILDREN FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO AND SUCCESSES IN SERVING MILITARY FAMILIES IN ARKANSAS.

### Subtitle

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WHEREAS, more than fourteen thousand (14,000) Arkansans serve in the military forces of Arkansas and the United States; and

WHEREAS, more than six thousand five hundred (6,500) children of military families attend public schools in the State of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Council for Military Children educates military families and school personnel about the rights of children of military families; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Council for Military Children works to resolve education-related issues for children of military families in transition; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Arkansas Council for Military Children work with public school districts, charter schools, private schools, and military installations across the State of Arkansas to raise awareness of and increase support for children of military families; and



WHEREAS, the United States Department of Defense has recognized Arkansas's statutes, programs, and the Arkansas Council for Military Children and has recommended to the Chairmen of the United States House Armed Services Committee and the United States Senate Committee on Armed Services that other states should consider adopting Arkansas's model; and

WHEREAS, the spouse of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff has offered Arkansas's practices as examples for other states to follow in serving military families; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Council for Military Children has been repeatedly highlighted by the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission as a leader in serving military families,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the Senate congratulate and recognize the Arkansas Council for Military Children for its contributions to and successes in serving military families in Arkansas.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be presented by the Secretary of the Senate to Secretary of the Department of Education Jacob Oliva and Chair of the Arkansas Council for Military Children Colonel (Retired) John Kaminar.