

1 A RESOLUTION recognizing the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) 2023
2 Week of the Eagles.

3 WHEREAS, the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), known as the Screaming
4 Eagles and headquartered in Fort Campbell, Kentucky, has faithfully answered America's
5 call for service since its formation; and

6 WHEREAS, the 101st Airborne Division was activated on August 16, 1942, at
7 Claiborne, Louisiana; and

8 WHEREAS, its first Commanding General, Major General William C. Lee, noted
9 that the division had no history but that it had a "rendezvous with destiny," would
10 habitually be called into action when the need was "immediate and extreme," and would
11 "fall on its enemies like a thunderbolt from the skies"; and

12 WHEREAS, the 101st Airborne Division is the only air assault division of the
13 United States Army; and

14 WHEREAS, the 101st Airborne Division is one of the most deployed and
15 recognized divisions in the United States Army, with a combat record spanning from
16 World War II to the present day; and

17 WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Kentucky owes a tremendous debt to the 101st
18 Airborne Division for the extraordinary service, sacrifice, and patriotism of the soldiers
19 and veterans of the division as well as their families; and

20 WHEREAS, the Week of the Eagles, first held in 1974, honors the legacy and
21 heritage of the 101st Airborne Division and involves both veterans and current soldiers of
22 the division; and

23 WHEREAS, the 101st Airborne Division celebrated 80 years of excellence during
24 the 2022 Week of the Eagles; and

25 WHEREAS, the 2023 Week of the Eagles will last from Friday, May 19th to
26 Thursday, May 25th;

27 NOW, THEREFORE,

1 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of*
2 *Kentucky:*

3 ➔Section 1. The Senate does hereby recognize the 101st Airborne Division (Air
4 Assault) as one of the great military divisions in the United States Armed Forces' history.

5 ➔Section 2. The Senate acknowledges and celebrates the contributions of the
6 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) to ensure the continued safety and security of this
7 great nation and the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

8 ➔Section 3. The Senate recognizes the 2023 Week of the Eagles by honoring the
9 extraordinary service of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault).