

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6021

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Major General Thomas Romig

WHEREAS, Major General Thomas Romig, the 36th Judge Advocate General of the United States Army, has completed a distinguished 34-year career serving this nation and the legal profession, particularly during operations in support of the global war on terrorism and Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

WHEREAS, United States Senator Pat Roberts recognized and paid tribute to Major General Romig on June 14, 2005, in the Congressional Record of the United States Senate. As the Judge Advocate General from October 1, 2001, to October 1, 2005, General Romig served as the chief military legal officer for the United States Army and as legal advisor to the Chief of Staff of the Army and to the Secretary of the Army. Since the tragedy of September 11, 2001, he has been at the forefront of the most pressing issues affecting our nation and the military today. Our nation, the Army and the Judge Advocate General's Corps have benefited immeasurably from his leadership; and

WHEREAS, General Romig was born in 1948 in Manhattan, Kansas, and graduated from Manhattan High School and Kansas State University. He was commissioned through the Reserve Officers Training Corps program and entered active duty in October 1971. Graduating from the Infantry Officer Basic and Airborne Courses, he started a distinguished career that included selection to the funded legal education program at Santa Clara Law School, service as a prosecutor with the 2nd Armored Division, Staff Judge Advocate 32nd Army Air Defense Command, Staff Judge Advocate United States Army V Corps, and eventually as Assistant Judge Advocate General for both Civil Law and Litigation, and for Military Law and Operations; and

WHEREAS, General Romig has attained the pinnacle of his profession to be selected to serve in the top Army legal pentagon position four years ago when the attacks on September 11, 2001, stunned the nation and the world. As a soldier, he was foremost among those who insisted that we respect the rule of law in dealing with the difficult situations following September 11. In countless meetings, he displayed the courage of his convictions and never remained silent when he had a duty to speak. As a soldier and a lawyer, he will be remembered as the soldier's advocate at a time that our Army was undergoing an unprecedented transformation of historic dimensions: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend Major General Thomas Romig, a native son of the great state of Kansas, for his distinguished and meritorious service to this nation and its people as the 36th Judge Advocate General of the United States Army.

House Resolution No. 6021 was sponsored by Tom Hawk and Don Hill.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the HOUSE, and was adopted by that body

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.