



## RESERVE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

### Eligibility for Commander United States Northern Command Resolution No. 16-05

**WHEREAS**, under the Unified Command Plan the mission of United States Northern Command (NORTHCOM) is to provide command and control of the Department of Defense's homeland defense efforts and to coordinate military support to civil authorities; with a geographical area of responsibility that includes the continental United States, Alaska, Canada, Mexico, the Bahamas, Puerto Rico, and surrounding waters; and

**WHEREAS**, homeland security is a mission of all the Reserve Components, to include the Army Reserve, Army National Guard, Navy Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, Coast Guard Reserve, Air Force Reserve; and Air National Guard; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission on the National Guard and Reserves recommended that either the Commander or Deputy Commander of NORTHCOM be filled by a Reserve Component officer, as well as a better integration of the Reserve Component with the Department of Homeland Security;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, chartered by Congress, urge the Congress to permit the selection of the best Flag or General Officer from either the Active or Reserve Component to be Commander, U.S. Northern Command; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, chartered by Congress, urge the Congress to amend US Code to require that if an Active Component Flag or General officer is selected as Commander, Northern Command, then a Reserve Component Flag or General Officer will be selected as Deputy Commander of Northern Command, or vice versa.

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