

Reps. Barrett, Brinks, Cochran, Crawford, Faris, Greig, Howrylak, Phelps and Sneller offered the following resolution:

**House Resolution No. 352.**

A resolution to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Army Warrant Officer Corps.

Whereas, An Army warrant officer is an adaptive technical expert, combat leader, trainer, and advisor. Warrant officers are highly skilled, single-track specialty officers who make up the technical foundation of the U.S. Army. Through progressive levels of expertise in assignments, training, and education, Army warrant officers administer, manage, maintain, operate, and integrate Army systems and equipment across the full spectrum of Army operations; and

Whereas, Army warrant officers are commissioned by the President of the United States and take the same oath as regular commissioned officers. Although they make up less than 3% of total Army strength, warrant officers shoulder great responsibilities including training soldiers and organizing and advising on missions; and

Whereas, Throughout their careers, Army warrant officers specialize in a technical area like intelligence, aviation, or military police. Army warrant officers are innovative integrators of emerging technologies, dynamic teachers, confident warfighters, and developers of specialized teams of soldiers. Army warrant officers can and do command attachments, units, activities, vessels, aircraft, and armored vehicles, as well as lead, coach, train, and counsel subordinates; and

Whereas, An Army warrant officer's primary task as a leader is to serve as a technical expert to provide valuable skills, guidance, and expertise in his or her field to commanders and organizations. For example, due to demand for helicopter pilots in Vietnam, the number of Army warrant officer pilots grew from about 2,960 in 1966 to more than 12,000 by 1970; and

Whereas, Army warrant officers serve not only in the military but serve important roles throughout the community; and

Whereas, Army warrant officers have sacrificed for the cause of freedom, including some who have paid the ultimate sacrifice for those freedoms; and

Whereas, The Army Warrant Officer Corps celebrates its 100th Anniversary on July 9, 2018; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Army Warrant Officer Corps. We recognize the men and women of the Army Warrant Officer Corps who have served this nation, this state, and its communities so honorably and admirably over the past 100 years; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the United States Secretary of the Army, the Michigan Department of Veterans and Military Affairs, and the Army Warrant Officer Corps.