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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 16-015

101 **CONCERNING SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS OF THE CIVIL AIR PATROL IN**
102 **COLORADO.**

1 WHEREAS, Civil Air Patrol (CAP) was founded on December 1,
2 1941, to supplement the United States military during World War II and
3 is celebrating its seventy-fifth year; and

4 WHEREAS, In 1948, CAP was designated as the United States Air
5 Force's official auxiliary, with three missions--emergency services, cadet
6 programs, and aerospace education; and

7 WHEREAS, Since CAP's earliest days, the organization has set
8 itself apart during the country's most tumultuous times: Locating enemy
9 submarines during World War II; assisting rescuers and state agencies
10 immediately following the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks; heavily

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1 supporting hurricane relief efforts in 2005, 2008, and 2012; assisting in
2 the response to the Gulf Coast oil spill in 2010; and aiding communities
3 during other natural disasters, such as floods, wildfires, ice storms, and
4 tornadoes; and

5 WHEREAS, The Colorado Wing of the CAP served prominently
6 in assisting FEMA and state and local agencies during the floods and
7 wildfires in the state in recent years; and

8 WHEREAS, The Colorado Wing of the CAP conducted twenty
9 search and rescue missions in 2015, resulting in the saving of three lives;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, The Colorado Wing of the CAP further provided vital
12 homeland security missions that helped ensure the protection of the nation
13 as a whole by assisting Air Force pilots with target-intercept training; and

14 WHEREAS, The Colorado Springs Cadet Squadron has
15 unsurpassed participation in the finals of the national CyberPatriot cyber
16 defense competition; Colorado Cadet squadrons have won honors in drill
17 and color guard competitions and continue to provide cadet volunteers
18 who assist and support in community events and disaster exercises,
19 thereby increasing the cadets' awareness of the importance of being good
20 citizens; and

21 WHEREAS, The Colorado Wing of the CAP provides exceptional
22 educational and growth opportunities for youth through its nearly eight
23 hundred-member strong cadet program, emphasizing leadership and
24 careers in aviation; and

25 WHEREAS, The CAP's Aerospace Education Program annually
26 touches cadets and others in classrooms across Colorado, teaching
27 multidisciplinary aviation concepts that emphasize aviation's connection
28 to history, math, science, government, and economics; now, therefore,

29 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventieth General Assembly*
30 *of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:*

31 (1) That March 14, 2016, be designated "Colorado Civil Air Patrol
32 Day" at the Colorado State Capitol; and

33 (2) That the members of the Colorado Wing of the CAP be

1 congratulated on the significant accomplishments of their many
2 missions in recent years and on the Wing's continued excellence in
3 providing leadership and guidance to cadet squadrons, fostering an
4 attitude of selfless community service and an abiding interest in
5 aerospace education; and

6 (3) That the Colorado Wing of the CAP be congratulated for its
7 demonstrated readiness and willingness to augment and assist sheriffs,
8 search and rescue forces, and other emergency responders across the
9 state and the nation.

10 *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be
11 sent to Governor John Hickenlooper; Major General Joseph R.
12 Vasquez, National Commander, Civil Air Patrol; Major General H.
13 Michael Edwards, Adjutant General for Colorado; and Lieutenant
14 Colonel Celeste Gamache, Commander, Colorado Wing, Civil Air
15 Patrol.