

**Opposition to the Merger of the Reserve and Guard  
(10: Reserve Component Funding and Organization)  
Resolution No. 24-14**

**WHEREAS**, both the federal Reserve force and National Guard have long and distinguished records of service and success in their contributions to the defense and security of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, both the Title 10 USC Reserve force and National Guard have unique missions and strong traditions associated with their respective components; and

**WHEREAS**, the President and Combatant Commanders require the accessibility and force multiplier offered by the Federal forces of the Reserve without state restrictions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Guard can augment Federal forces but remain state centric; and

**WHEREAS**, there is no demonstrated cost savings or other efficiencies that have been demonstrated by supporters of a merger; and

**WHEREAS**, the Reserve and Guard play distinctive roles in support of many areas that takes advantage of specific unique training and strengths; and

**WHEREAS**, the distinct differences between the federal Reserve force and the National Guard appeal to different recruitment sources with which a merger may reduce the appeal to a potential pool of the population;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Reserve Officers Association, d.b.a. Reserve Organization of America, urges Congress and military leaders to maintain a separate federal Reserve force and that they reject any effort to merge with National Guard forces.

Renewed by the National Convention, 6 Oct 2024

Renewed by the National Convention, 24 Oct 2021 (Resolution No. 18-11)

Renewed by the National Convention, 30 Sep 2018

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Re-adopted by the National Convention, 31 Jan 2012 (Resolution No. 12-05)

Allowed to expire, 9 Feb 2010

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