

Individual Ready Reserve Funding
(10: Reserve Component Funding and Organization)
Resolution No. 24-18

WHEREAS, the 2022 National Defense Strategy objectives including “detering strategic attacks against the United States, Allies, and partners” and “detering aggression,” while “prioritizing the Peoples Republic of China challenges in the Indo-Pacific region,” have demonstrated the need to maintain highly trained personnel who possess critical specialties necessary to sustain the force for surge capability; and

WHEREAS, at present, discretionary appropriated funds sustain the Selected Reserve (units, Individual Mobilization Augmentees and Active Guard/Reserve); and

WHEREAS, the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) includes prior Active Component personnel with a military service obligation (MSO), reservists no longer affiliated with an MSO and servicemembers in transition between billets; and

WHEREAS, many IRR servicemembers possess critical wartime specialties that require more than minimal training days to maintain proficiency; and

WHEREAS, the IRR comprised of approximately 25 percent of the Ready Reserve but was significantly under employed with only 4 percent of mobilizations since 9/11, (Reserve Forces Policy Board, Improving the Total Force, November 1, 2016); and

WHEREAS, only a small percentage of the IRR population is funded for IRR Readiness Training each year to enhance or refresh existing skills at a minimal level;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Reserve Officers Association, d.b.a. Reserve Organization of America, urges Congress to authorize and appropriate additional funds to provide enough paid training days to maintain proficiency for members of the Individual Ready Reserve with critical wartime specialties.

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